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Wilson, C. B.	10	0	1	6	9	0
Seitz, C. F.	13	0	1	9	0	0
Johnston, J. B.	10	0	2	4	1	0
Wheat, L. F.	7	0	2	3	0	0
Mayo, C. L.	2	0	1	2	0	0
Hondro, C. F.	8	0	3	8	1	0
Kanetzky, D. B.	9	0	1	30	1	0
Ward, S. C.	10	0	0	5	3	1
Krueger, C. C.	2	1	0	4	3	0
Elliott, C. C.	9	0	0	2	2	0
Cade, C. C.	10	0	1	13	0	0

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San Francisco	Garry Schumacher Art Santo Domingo	415 415	467-8000 467-8000	567-5850 854-4860

Manager

HARRY WALKER

25

Born Oct. 22, 1916, at Pascagoula, Miss. Married Dorothy Fulmer, March 17, 1941. Three daughters—Carol, Mary Sharon and Barbara. Home: Leeds, Ala. Playing height and weight—6-2, 190. Threw right. Batted left. Basic position—outfield; also played second base and first base in majors. Led National League in batting in 1947 (.363) and became the first player in history to lead the league in batting while playing with more than one club (St. Louis and Philadelphia).

1937—Signed as free agent with St. Louis (NL).
 1947—Traded to Philadelphia (NL), May 3.
 1948—Traded to Chicago (NL), Oct. 4.
 1949—Traded to Cincinnati (NL), June 15; Traded to St. Louis (NL), Dec. 14.
 1951—Appointed player-manager of Columbus (AA).
 1952—Appointed player-manager of Rochester (IL).
 1955—Replaced Eddie Stanky as manager of St. Louis (NL), May 28.
 1956—Appointed player-manager of Houston (Texas).
 1959—Coach, St. Louis (NL).
 1963—Appointed manager of Atlanta (IL).
 1964—Appointed manager of Jacksonville (IL); Named as minor league manager of the year by The Sporting News.
 1965—Appointed manager of Pittsburgh (NL).
 1967—Released as manager of Pittsburgh (NL), July 19; Appointed batting instructor for Houston (NL) organization, July 22.
 1968—Replaced Grady Hatton as manager of Houston (NL), June 18.

RECORD AS MANAGER

Year	Club	League	Position	W-L	Pet.
1951	Columbus	A.A.	Eighth	53-101	.344
1952	Rochester	Int.	Third	80-74	.520
1953	Rochester	Int.	First	97-57	.630
1954	Rochester	Int.	Third	86-68	.559
1955	*Rochester	Int.	Third	21-17	.553
1955	*St. Louis	N.L.	Seventh	51-67	.432
1956	Houston	Texas	First	96-58	.623
1957	Houston	Texas	Second	97-57	.630
1958	Houston	Texas	Second	79-74	.516
1963	Atlanta	Int.	Second	85-68	.556
1964	Jacksonville	Int.	First	89-62	.589
1965	Pittsburgh	N.L.	Third	90-72	.556
1966	Pittsburgh	N.L.	Third	92-70	.568
1967	*Pittsburgh	N.L.	Sixth	42-42	.500
1968	*Houston	N.L.	Tenth	49-52	.485

*—Partial season.

RECORD AS A PLAYER

1937	Montgomery	Southeast	10	42	9	0	0	0	2	0	.214
1937	Tiffin	Ohio St.	58	227	84	17	4	1	33	15	.370
1938	Tyler	E. Tex.	30	118	30	5	2	0	14	5	.254
1938	Greenville	Sally	7	23	6	0	0	0	2	0	.261
1938	Montgomery	Southeast	73	285	79	6	9	1	24	15	.277
1939	Pensacola	Southeast	127	479	154	18	13	2	55	14	.322
1940	Rochester	Int.	3	10	3	1	0	0	1	1	.300
1940	Columbus	A.A.	140	537	168	39	7	17	74	17	.313
1940	S.L.	N.L.	7	27	5	2	0	0	6	0	.185
1941	Columbus	A.A.	121	445	124	25	1	4	58	13	.279
1941	S.L.	N.L.	7	15	4	1	0	0	1	0	.267
1942	S.L.	N.L.	74	191	60	12	2	0	16	2	.314
1943	S.L.	N.L.	148	564	166	28	6	2	53	5	.294
1944-45	S.L.										(In Military Service)
1946	S.L.	N.L.	112	346	82	14	6	3	27	11	.237
1947	S.L.-Phila.	N.L.	140	513	186	29	16	1	41	13	.363
1948	Philadelphia	N.L.	112	332	97	11	2	2	23	4	.292
1949	Chicago-Cin.	N.L.	128	473	142	21	5	2	37	6	.300
1950	S.L.	N.L.	60	150	31	5	0	0	7	0	.207
1950	Columbus	A.A.	41	144	40	11	2	3	14	2	.278
1951	Columbus	A.A.	110	298	117	24	1	6	39	10	.393
1951	S.L.	N.L.	8	26	8	1	0	0	2	0	.308
1952	Rochester	Int.	115	367	134	22	7	4	36	3	.365
1953	Rochester	Int.	112	304	92	11	1	7	37	7	.303
1954	Rochester	Int.	78	155	48	7	0	0	13	2	.310
1955	Rochester	Int.	9	7	3	0	0	0	1	0	.429
1955	S.L.	N.L.	11	14	5	2	0	0	1	0	.357
1956	Houston	Tex.	82	177	58	9	0	3	31	3	.328
1957	Houston	Tex.	62	153	44	11	1	1	16	0	.288
1958	Houston	Tex.	45	85	23	2	0	2	13	1	.271
Major League Totals (11 years)			807	2651	786	126	37	10	214	41	.296

THE COACHES

BUDDY HANCKEN

4

Born August 30, 1915 at Birmingham, Alabama. Married Hazel Lovell, December 24, 1938. Two daughters, Kaaren 25 and Candace, 18. Attended Birmingham Southern College. Threw and batted righthanded. Height 6-0. Weight 180. Basic position: catcher, also played second base in minors. Given name — Morris.

1935—Signed with Detroit organization; sent to Alexandria in the Evangeline League.

1936—Opened season with Beaumont, Texas League — sent to Charleston, West Virginia, in Mid-Atlantic League.

1937—Played with Beaumont (Texas).

1938—Taken to spring training with Detroit (A.L.); played at Toledo (A.A.) and Fort Worth (Tex.).

1939—Traded to Seattle (PCL) with JoJo White and two other players for Freddie Hutchinson and \$50,000.

1940—Spent entire season with Philadelphia Athletics; appeared in one game.

1941—Buffalo (Int.)

1942—In military service with Marine Corps.

1946—Returned to baseball as a scout for Cincinnati Reds.

1947—First managerial position with Ballinger (Longhorn), in Cincinnati system.

1954—Started seven years as scout with Pittsburgh.

1961—Signed with Minnesota Twins as scout.

1963—Managed Batavia (N.Y.-Penn.) in Pirate chain.

1964—Returned to scouting ranks with Pittsburgh.

1966—Signed as manager of Amarillo (Texas) in Astros' system, Jan. 14.

1967—Named coach for Houston Astros, October 23.

RECORD AS PLAYER

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG.
1935	Alexandria	Evan.	100	304	76	14	1	0	38	.250
1936	Beaumont	Texas	11	24	6	1	0	1	7	.250
1936	Charleston	Mid-At.	63	220	64	11	3	4	38	.291
1937	Beaumont	Texas	98	289	66	7*	1	1	31	.228
1938	Toledo	A. A.	47	125	30	4	0	0	18	.240
1938	Fort Worth	Texas	39	104	27	8	0	0	10	.260
1939	Seattle	PCL	71	186	44	5	0	1	14	.237
1940	Philadelphia	A.L.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1941	Buffalo	Int.	72	180	27	2	1	0	11	.150
Major League Total (one year)			1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

RECORD AS MANAGER

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	POS.	W-L	YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	POS.	W-L
1947	Ballinger	Longhorn	2	68-62	1952	Baton Rouge	Evan.	3	76-64
1948	Greenville	Big St.	8	52-93	1953	Lk Chrls	G. Coast	8	54-89
1949	Waco	Big St.	4	76-72	1964	Batavia	NY-Penn	3	63-67
1950	Waco	Big St.	5	76-75	1966	Amarillo	Tex	2	77-63
1951	Columbia	Sally	8	46-92	1967	Amarillo	Tex.	2	75-64

MEL McGAHA (ma-GAY-HAY)

3

Born Sept. 26, 1926 at Bastrop, Louisiana. Married Christina Elizabeth Lansford December 20, 1945. Daughter, Trecia, son, Fred. Home: Shreveport, Louisiana. Graduated from the University of Arkansas with Bachelor of Science in Education, 1948. Height 6-2. Weight 210. Hobbies: Golf, hunting, and fishing. Threw and batted righthanded. Basic positions: outfield and first base. Also pitched, caught, played third base and shortstop in minors. Managed 7 years in minors and three in majors.

1948—Signed with St. Louis Cardinals organization.
 1953—Joined Shreveport (Independent) in Texas League as infielder-outfielder.
 1954—Replaced Mickey Livingston as Playing Manager of the Shreveport Sports and finished first.
 1958—Replaced Don Heffner as Playing Manager at Mobile (Southern Association) in Cleveland Indians' organization. Finished second.
 1960—Managed Toronto (Int.) in Cleveland organization to first place.
 1961—Moved up to Cleveland Indians as coach
 1962—Managed the Indians to sixth place in A.L. Released on final day of season.
 1963—Joined Kansas City Athletics as coach and administrative assistant to manager Eddie Lopat.
 1964—Took over as manager of Kansas City, June 11.
 1965—Fired as manager of Kansas City Athletics, May 15.
 1965—Named manager of Oklahoma City (PCL), December 21.
 1967—Named coach by the Astros, October 24.

RECORD AS PLAYER

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	Avg.
1948	Houston	Texas	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1948	Duluth	North.	30	119	42	3	3	0	15	.353
1948	Winston-Salem	Carol.	17	59	23	2	2	0	9	.390
1949	Columbus	AA	114	407	118	13	5	1	37	.290
1950	Columbus	AA	17	50	11	3	2	0	5	.220
1950	Houston	Texas	67	193	52	7	1	3	23	.269
1951	Houston	Texas	53	143	43	5	0	1	10	.224
1952	Houston	Texas	132	438	115	12	7	7	44	.263
1953	Shreveport	Texas	114	372	97	16	1	10	66	.261
1954	Shreveport	Texas	80	175	49	5	1	5	27	.280
1955	Shreveport	Texas	73	144	34	8	0	2	26	.236
1956	Shreveport	Texas	73	187	61	7	1	10	37	.326
1957	Shreveport	Texas	98	258	70	12	1	5	25	.271
1958	Mobile	South	33	52	15	4	0	1	11	.288

RECORD AS MANAGER

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	POS.	W-L	YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	POS.	W-L
1954	Shreveport	Texas	1	90-71	1960	Toronto	Int.	1	100-54
1955	Shreveport	Texas	3	87-74	1962	Cleveland	A.L.	6	80-82
1956	Shreveport	Texas	7	69-85	*1964	Kans. City	A.L.	10	40-70
1957	Shreveport	Texas	8	59-95	†1965	Kans. City	A.L.	10	5-21
1958	Mobile	South.	2	84-68	1966	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	6	59-89
1959	Mobile	South.	2	89-63	1967	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	4	74-74

*—Took over as Manager, June 11

†—Replaced as Manager, May 15

JIM OWENS

5

Born January 16, 1934 at Gifford, Pennsylvania. Married. Home: Venice, Florida. Height 6-0. Weight 200. Bats right. Throws right. Position—pitcher.

1951—Broke into pro ball with Philadelphia Phillies organization.

1962—Traded to Cincinnati for Cookie Rojas, November 27.

1963—Drafted from San Diego (P.C.L.) by Houston for \$25,000, December 2.

1967—Released as player by Houston and signed as pitching coach, July.

RECORD AS PLAYER

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W	L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1951	Bradford	Pony	23	108	6	3	99	67	93	4.33
1952	Miami	K.O.M.	35	245	22	7	137	300	170	1.76
1953	Terre Haute	Three	42	244	22	8	167	197	139	2.51
1954	Syracuse	Int.	36	223	17	9	183	150	127	2.87
1955	Syracuse	Int.	31	211	15	11	171	161	124	3.11
1955	Philadelphia	N.L.	3	9	0	2	13	6	7	8.00
1956	Philadelphia	N.L.	10	30	0	4	35	22	22	7.20
1956	Miami	Int.	15	104	5	7	94	62	57	2.86
1957	Philadelphia	N.L.	(in military service)							
1958	Philadelphia	N.L.	1	7	1	0	4	3	5	.257
1959	Philadelphia	N.L.	31	221	12	12	203	135	73	3.22
1960	Philadelphia	N.L.	31	150	4	14	182	83	64	5.04
1961	Philadelphia	N.L.	20	107	5	10	119	38	32	4.46
1962	Philadelphia	N.L.	23	70	2	4	90	21	33	6.30
1963	Cincinnati	N.L.	19	42	0	2	42	29	24	5.36
1963	San Diego	P.C.L.	8	57	4	2	44	13	53	2.21
1964	Houston	N.L.	48	118	8	7	115	88	32	3.28
1965	Houston	N.L.	50	71	6	5	65	53	29	3.30
1966	Houston	N.L.	40	50	4	7	53	32	17	4.68
1966	Okl. City	P.C.L.	6	8	0	0	14	5	5	9.00
1967	Houston	N.L.	10	11	0	1	12	6	2	4.09
Major League Totals (13-years)			286	886	42	68	932	516	340	4.31

SALTY PARKER

2

Born July 8, 1913 at East St. Louis, Illinois. Married Thelma Marie Millard, November 26, 1936. Three daughters, Jean, Nancy and Frances. Home Shreveport, Louisiana. Height 6-0. Weight 185. Threw right, batted right. Basic position: shortstop. Also played first base in majors and third base, second base, first base, outfield, pitcher and catcher in the minors. Given name is Francis.

1930—Broke into pro ball with Moline in the Missouri Valley League.
 1936—Joined Detroit (A.L.) as shortstop-first baseman.
 1939—Took over as manager of Lubbock (W. Tex. - N.M.), May 1, finished first.
 1944—In military service.
 1952—Managed Temple (Big State) to first place.
 1957—Managed Dallas (Texas) to first place with 102 wins.
 1958—Joined coaching staff of San Francisco Giants.
 1962—Coaching staff, Cleveland Indians.
 1963—Scout, Pittsburgh Pirates.
 1964—Signed as coach, Los Angeles Angels.
 1967—Coach and interim manager, New York Mets.
 1967—Named coach for Houston Astros, October 23.

RECORD AS PLAYED

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	Avg
1930	Moline	M.V.	92	347	86	12	1	2	.284	.284
1931	Moline	M.V.	127	482	136	21	2	2	.282	.282
1932	Moline	M.V.	121	474	144	21	4	4	.59	.304
1933	Beaumont	Texas	144	509	138	27	3	0	.52	.271
1934	Beaumont	Texas	125	414	103	26	5	3	.44	.249
1935	Toledo	A.A.	149	555	159	34	7	1	.59	.286
1936	Toledo	A.A.	106	405	120	21	6	2	.44	.296
1936	Detroit	A.L.	11	25	7	2	0	0	2	.280
1937	Indianapolis	A.A.	61	188	46	14	2	1	.21	.245
1938	Tulsa-Shreve.	Texas	121	386	108	22	2	1	.57	.280
1939	Dallas	Texas	13	49	11	0	1	0	3	.224
1939	Lubbock	W.T.-N.M.	133	480	150	25	9	7	.93	.313
1940	Marshall	E. Tex	131	444	155	46	6	4	.71	.349
1941	Shreveport	Texas	145	498	127	24	1	0	.49	.255
1942	Shreveport	Texas	147	531	138	22	3	1	.57	.266
1943	St. Paul	A.A.	132	434	107	25	3	2	.51	.247
1944	Montreal	Int.								
										(In Military Service)
1945	Montreal	Int.	149	517	154	38	1	3	.77	.298
1946	Shreveport	Texas	59	175	45	7	0	1	.21	.257
1947	Shreveport	Texas	97	292	81	16	1	1	.28	.277
1948	Shreveport	Texas	22	67	16	2	0	1	.8	.239
1949	Shreveport	Texas	4	8	1	0	0	0	0	.125
1950	Shreveport	Texas	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1951	Shreveport	Texas								(Did not play)
1952	Temple	Big St.	23	48	0	0	0	0	4	.167
1953	Temple	Big St.								(Did not play)
1954	Tyler	Big St.	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Major League Totals (1 year)			11	25	7	2	0	0	2	.280

RECORD AS MANAGED

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	POS.	W-L	YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	POS.	W-L
1939	Lubbock	W.T.-N.M.	1	45-24	1949	Shreveport	Tex	4	80-74
	(Second Half)		1	45-24	1950	Shreveport	Tex	7	63-91
1940	Marshall	E.Tex	2	31-13	1951	Shreveport	Tex	8	63-98
	(Second Half)		4	39-46	1952	Temple	Big St	1	85-62
1941	Shreveport	Tex	3	80-71	1953	Temple	Big St	7	35-40
1942	Shreveport	Tex	2	83-61	1954	Tyler	Big St	2	92-55
1943	St. Paul	A.A.	7	67-85	1955	El Dorado	Cot. St.	2	32-23
1946	Shreveport	Tex	7	61-92		(Second Half)		2	38-24
1947	Shreveport	Tex	5	75-79	1956	Danville	Carol	2	83-65
1948	Shreveport	Tex	4	76-77	1957	Dallas	Tex	1	102-52

ALL-TIME HOUSTON COACHES

Adair, Jimmy—1962-63-64-65
Bragan, Bobby—1962
Busby, Jim—1962-63-64-65-66-67
Courtney, Clint—1965
Deal, Cot—1962-63-64
Fox, Nellie—1965-66-67
Hancken, Buddy—1968

Harris, Luman—1962-63-64
Heist, Al—1966-67
Jones, Gordon—1966-67
Owens, Jim—1967-68
McGaha, Mel—1968
Parker, Salty—1968
Pollet, Howie—1965

NUMERICAL ROSTER

1. Grady Hatton	21. Norm Miller	42. Steve Shea
2. Salty Parker	22. Jesus Alou	43. Pat House
3. Mel McGaha	23. Denny Lemaster	44. Wayne Twitchell
4. Buddy Hancken	24. Jim Wynn	45. Jim Ray
5. Jim Owens	25. Harry Walker	46. Bob Watkins
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THE ASTROS

JESUS ALOU

22

OUTFIELDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born March 24, 1943, at Haina, Dominican Republic. Height 6-2. Weight 195. Single. Home: Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

1959—Signed as free agent by San Francisco Giants
1968—Purchased by Montreal Expos in National League expansion draft.

1969—Traded to Houston Astros with Donn Clendenon for Rusty Staub, Jan. 22.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
San Francisco (NL)	120	419	110	15	4	0	39	1	.263

Youngest of the three Alou brothers who play outfield in the National League . . . six-year major league veteran at age 25 . . . led Giants in average (.292) in 1967 after leading three different minor leagues in hits (Sophomore '60, Northwest '61 and PCL '63) . . . was a pitcher in his first professional season (1959) . . . signed by Giants at age of 16 . . . collected six hits in six times at bat for Giants on July 10, 1964 . . . hobbies: hunting and fishing.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963-64-65-66-67-68—San Francisco (NL).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
6 years	633	2342	626	74	13	18	174	23	.280

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1959—Hastings (Neb. State). 1960—Artesia (Soph) and Eugene (Northwest). 1961—Eugene (Northwest). 1962—El Paso (Texas). 1963—Tacoma (PCL). 1966—Phoenix (PCL).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
6 years	560	2269	786	126	30	43	301	77	.338

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1959	Hastings	Neb. St.	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	.667
1960	Artesia	Soph.	126	534	188	33	6	11	91	18	.352
1960	Eugene	No. West.	6	20	7	0	1	0	2	1	.350
1961	Eugene	No. West.	138	518	174	31	5	10	71	16	.336
1962	El Paso	Texas	118	505	173	35	10	11	68	24	.343
1963	Tacoma	PCL	158	648	210	26	7	11	69	18	.324
1963	San Francisco	NL	16	24	66	1	0	0	5	0	.250
1964	San Francisco	NL	115	376	103	11	0	3	28	6	.274
1965	San Francisco	NL	143	543	162	19	4	9	52	8	.298
1966	San Francisco	NL	110	370	96	13	1	1	20	5	.259
1966	Phoenix	PCL	10	41	12	1	1	0	0	0	.293
1967	San Francisco	NL	129	510	149	15	4	5	30	1	.292
1968	San Francisco	NL	120	419	110	15	4	0	39	1	.263

ED ARMBRISTER

29

OUTFIELDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 4, 1948, at Nassau, Bahamas. Height 5-11. Weight 160. Single. Home: Nassau, Bahamas.

1966—Signed by Houston as free agent, November.

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Cocoa (Fla. State)	129	472	123	17	3	2	32	35	.261

Exceptional speed, as his 35 stolen bases at Cocoa would indicate . . . a good defensive outfielder . . . had very little baseball background prior to being signed by the Houston organization . . . played in Florida Instructional League last winter.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967-68—Cocoa (Fla. State).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
2 years	229	808	194	25	8	3	64	41	.240

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1967	Cocoa	Fla. St.	100	336	71	8	5	1	32	6	.211
1968	Cocoa	Fla. St.	129	472	123	17	3	2	32	35	.261

WADE BLASINGAME

36

PITCHER—Bats left. Throws left. Born Nov. 22, 1943, at Deming, N.M. Height 6-1. Weight 185. Single. Home: Fresno, Calif.

1961—Signed by Milwaukee as free agent for reported \$100,000.

1968 RECORD

	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Houston (N.L.)	22	2	0	36	1-2	45	22	10	4.75

Missed much of the 1968 season after groin injury and resulting operation . . . hobbies are hunting, fishing, gun collecting . . . in 1965, threw one-hitter for Braves vs old roommate, Warren Spahn . . . nicknamed "The Blazer."

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963-64-65—Milwaukee (N.L.). 1966-67—Atlanta (N.L.). 1967-68—Houston (N.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
6 years	131	551	34-31	554	315	252	4.51

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1961—Boise (Pioneer). 1962-63—Austin (Texas). 1963-64—Denver (PCL).

1966—Richmond (Int.)

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
5 years	77	421	27-27	451	324	252	4.28

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1961	Boise	Pion.	13	90	6-3	91	94	51	4.70
1962	Austin	Texas	28	156	10-14	178	102	100	4.27
1963	Denver	P.C.L.	8	20	0-3	37	19	17	9.90
1963	Austin	Texas	16	84	7-2	75	56	51	3.21
1963	Milwaukee	N.L.	2	3	0-0	7	6	2	12.00
1964	Milwaukee	N.L.	28	117	9-5	113	70	51	4.23
1964	Denver	P.C.L.	11	69	4-5	66	51	32	3.26
1965	Milwaukee	N.L.	38	225	16-10	200	117	116	3.76
1966	Atlanta	N.L.	16	68	3-7	71	34	25	5.29
1966	Richmond	Int.	1	2	0-0	4	2	1	4.50
1967	Atlanta	N.L.	10	25	1-0	27	20	21	11.70
1967	Houston	N.L.	15	77	4-7	91	46	27	5.96
1968	Houston	N.L.	22	36	1-2	45	22	10	4.75

CURT BLEFARY (BLEF-ree)

13

OUTFIELDER—Bats left. Throws right. Born July 5, 1943, at Brooklyn, N.Y. Height 6-2, Weight 195. Married. Home: Baltimore, Md.

1962—Signed as free agent by New York (A.L.) for reported \$40,000.

1963—Claimed by Baltimore on first-year waivers, April.

1968—Traded with John Mason to Houston for Mike Cuellar, Elijah Johnson and Enzo Hernandez, Dec. 4.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Baltimore (A.L.)	137	451	90	8	1	15	39	6	.200

Dangerous hitter with power . . . named 1965 American League rookie of the year by both Sporting News and Baseball Writers Association . . . hit three home runs in one game (June 16, 1967) . . . also has played first base and caught . . . hobbies: collecting records and dancing.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965-66-67-68—Baltimore (A.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
4 years	567	1886	451	64	13	82	254	15	.239

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Greensboro (Carolina). 1963—Greensboro (Carolina) and Elmira (Eastern).

1964—Rochester (IL).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
3 years	349	1217	333	34	15	73	203	18	.274

BLEFARY (Continued)

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1962	Greensboro	Carolina	66	229	55	4	2	13	39	8	.240
1963	Greensboro	Carolina	88	304	88	8	5	25	67	2	.289
1963	Elmira	Eastern	40	154	38	4	2	4	17	0	.247
1964	Rochester	Int.	155	530	152	18	6	31	80	8	.287
1965	Baltimore	A.L.	144	462	120	23	4	22	70	4	.260
1966	Baltimore	A.L.	131	419	107	14	3	23	64	1	.255
1967	Baltimore	A.L.	155	554	134	19	5	22	81	4	.242
1968	Baltimore	A.L.	137	451	90	8	1	15	39	6	.200

DON BRYANT

6

CATCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 13, 1941, at Jasper, Fla. Height 6-6. Weight 205. Married. Home: Jacksonville, Fla.

1960—Signed by Detroit as free agent.

1965—Obtained by Chicago Cubs in minor league deal.

1967—Obtained by San Francisco in minor league deal.

1968—Drafted by Houston from Phoenix (P.C.L.) for \$25,000, Dec. 2.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Phoenix (P.C.L.)	46	149	35	4	2	1	12	0	.235

Veteran minor league catcher who missed much of the 1968 season with a broken hand . . . caught briefly with the Cubs in 1966 . . . in '67, ranked ninth in P.C.L. batting and was Phoenix's MVP . . . played baseball, basketball, football at Paxon (Jacksonville) High . . . played in Venezuela last winter . . . barber during the off season . . . hobby is painting.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1960—Montgomery (Ala.-Fla.). 1961—Decatur (Midwest) and Montgomery (Ala.-Fla.). 1962—Jamestown (N.Y.-P.). 1963—Knoxville (Sally). 1964—Syracuse (I.L.) and Knoxville (Southern). 1965—Salt Lake City (P.C.L.) and Syracuse (I.L.). 1966—Tacoma (P.C.L.). 1967-68—Phoenix (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
9 years	723	2361	588	85	27	31	279	2	.249

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1960	Montgomery	Ala.-Fla.	43	117	22	5	0	1	12	0	.188
1961	Decatur	Midwest	40	129	28	4	0	3	20	1	.217
1961	Montgomery	Ala.-Fla.	45	147	33	5	0	3	14	0	.224
1962	Jamestown	N.Y.-P.	113	404	110	13	7	8	65	1	.272
1963	Knoxville	Sally	77	243	60	9	1	1	21	0	.247
1964	Knoxville	I.L.	2	7	2	0	0	0	2	0	.286
1964	Syracuse	Southern	62	184	51	8	3	1	19	0	.277
1965	Salt Lake City	P.C.L.	29	86	17	4	1	0	11	0	.198
1965	Syracuse	I.L.	57	176	30	3	2	0	11	0	.170
1966	Tacoma	P.C.L.	80	277	71	14	4	6	35	0	.256
1966	Chicago	N.L.	13	26	8	2	0	0	4	1	.308
1967	Phoenix	P.C.L.	129	442	129	16	7	7	57	0	.292
1968	Phoenix	P.C.L.	46	149	35	4	2	1	12	0	.235

RAY BUSSE

50

INFILDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Sept. 25, 1948, at Daytona Beach, Fla. Height 6-4. Weight 175. Single. Home: Port Orange, Fla. Attended Daytona Beach Junior College.

1967—Signed by Houston as free agent, April.

1968 RECORD

Cocoa (Fla. State)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	124	424	99	17	4	4	52	10	.233

A pitcher in the junior college ranks, he was converted to shortstop in pro ball . . . tall and rangy, with a good arm . . . has good speed . . . hobby is trapping snakes . . . played in Florida Instructional League last winter.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967—Covington (Appalachian). 1968—Cocoa (Fla. State).

2 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	184	644	148	23	6	6	80	18	.230

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1967	Covington	Appal.	60	220	49	6	2	2	28	8	.223
1968	Cocoa	Fla. St.	124	424	99	17	4	4	52	10	.233

JOHN BUZHARDT (buz-ART)

30

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born August 17, 1936 at Newberry, S.C. Height 6-2. Weight 200. Married Mary Jane Hawkins February 28, 1954. Home: Prosperity, S.C.

1954—Signed as a free agent by the Chicago Cubs.

1960—Traded with infielder Al Dark and third baseman Jim Woods to Philadelphia Phillies in exchange for outfielder Richie Allen, January 11.

1961—Traded with third baseman Charlie Smith to Chicago White Sox in exchange for first baseman Roy Sievers, November 28.

1967—Claimed by Baltimore Orioles for the \$20,000 waiver price from the White Sox.

1967—Claimed by Houston for the \$20,000 waiver price from the Orioles.

1968 RECORD

Houston (N.L.)	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	39	4	0	83.2	4-4	73	37	35	3.11

With Houston in 1968, he had his most effective season (on both percentage and ERA basis) since 1965, when he set his personal high of 13 wins with the Chicago White Sox . . . first came to majors in 1958 with the Cubs . . . hobbies are hunting and fishing.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958-59—Chicago (N.L.). 1960-61—Philadelphia (N.L.). 1962-63-64-65-66-67—Chicago (A.L.). 1967—Baltimore (A.L.) and Houston (N.L.). 1968—Houston (N.L.).

11 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	325	1486.1	71-96	1424	676	456	3.68

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1954—Hickory (Tar Heel) and Gainesville (Soo St.). 1955—Paris (M.O.V.). 1956—Twin Falls (Pion.). 1957—Memphis (South.) and Des Moines (West). 1958—(P.C.L.).

5 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	157	902	59-56	927	552	313	4.07

BUZHARDT (Continued)

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1954	Hickory	Tar Heel	4	6	0-0	12	2	3	12.00
1954	Gainesville	Soo. St.	18	112	8-6	100	63	27	3.13
1955	Paris	M.-O.V.	36	184	13-14	226	110	62	4.55
1956	Twin Falls	Pion.	34	27.3	18-12	223	188	105	3.57
1957	Memphis	South.	23	237	7-8	115	68	45	4.28
1957	Des Moines	West.	13	76	4-5	72	60	31	3.91
1958	Portland	P.C.L.	29	167	9-11	179	61	40	4.53
1958	Chicago	N.L.	6	24	3-0	16	9	7	1.88
1959	Chicago	N.L.	31	101	4-5	107	33	29	4.99
1960	Philadelphia	N.L.	30	200	5-16	198	73	68	3.87
1961	Philadelphia	N.L.	41	202	6-18	200	92	65	4.50
1962	Chicago	A.L.	28	152	8-12	156	64	59	4.20
1963	Chicago	A.L.	19	126	9-4	100	59	31	2.43
1964	Chicago	A.L.	31	160	10-8	150	97	35	2.98
1965	Chicago	A.L.	32	189	13-8	167	108	56	3.00
1966	Chicago	A.L.	33	150	6-11	144	66	30	2.84
1967	Chicago	A.L.	29	90	3-9	102	33	37	4.10
1967	Baltimore	A.L.	5	8	0-1	11	5	4	5.62
1967	Houston	N.L.	1	1	0-0	0	0	0	0.00
1968	Houston	N.L.	39	84	4-4	73	37	35	3.11

DONN CLENDENON

10

FIRST BASEMAN—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 15, 1935, at Neosho, Mo. Height 6-3½. Weight 206. Married. Home: Atlanta, Ga. Graduate of Morehouse College.

1957—Signed as free agent by Pittsburgh Pirates

1968—Purchased by Montreal Expos in National League expansion draft.

1969—Traded with Jesus Alou to Houston Astros for Rusty Staub, Jan. 22.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Pittsburgh (NL)	158	584	150	20	6	17	87	10	.257

Owes major league record for most years leading league in double plays (5, including 1968) . . . set NL first baseman's double play record in 1966 (182) . . . drove in 87 or more runs three of last four years . . . excellent baserunner . . . at Pittsburgh, drove in many game-winning runs . . . ranked No. 8 on Pirates' all-time home run list . . . played baseball, basketball and football in both high school and college . . . when he signed with Pirates, also had been offered contracts by Harlem Globetrotters, New York Knickerbockers and Cleveland Browns . . . hobbies: reading, playing the trumpet.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1961-62-63-64-65-66-67-68—Pittsburgh (NL).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
8 years	982	3522	986	149	53	106	488	81	.280

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1957—Jamestown (NY-P) and Salem (Appa). 1958—Grand Forks (Northern). 1959—Wilson (Carolina) and Idaho Falls (Pioneer). 1960—Savannah (Sally). 1961-62—Columbus (IL).

	G	A8	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
6 years	635	2290	701	113	58	87	437	78	.306

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1957	Jamestown	NY-P	51	180	43	6	3	1	25	10	.239
1957	Salem	Appa.	46	131	36	9	3	5	36	5	.275
1958	Grand Forks	Northern	119	453	120	21	12	10	70	12	.265
1959	Wilson	Carolina	18	73	27	4	0	2	11	6	.370
1959	Idaho Falls	Pioneer	105	416	148	26	15	15	96	13	.356
1960	Savannah	Sally	137	490	164	19	15	28	109	6	.335
1961	Columbus	I.L.	147	507	147	62	9	22	82	25	.290
1961	Pittsburgh	N.L.	9	35	11	1	1	0	2	0	.314
1962	Columbus	I.L.	12	40	16	2	1	4	8	1	.400
1962	Pittsburgh	N.L.	80	222	67	8	5	7	28	16	.302
1963	Pittsburgh	N.L.	154	563	155	28	7	15	57	22	.275
1964	Pittsburgh	N.L.	133	457	129	23	8	12	64	12	.282
1965	Pittsburgh	N.L.	162	612	184	32	14	14	96	9	.301
1966	Pittsburgh	N.L.	155	571	171	22	10	28	98	8	.299
1967	Pittsburgh	N.L.	131	478	119	15	2	13	56	4	.249
1968	Pittsburgh	N.L.	158	584	150	20	6	17	87	10	.257

RON COOK

41

PITCHER—Bats left. Throws left. Born July 11, 1947, at Jefferson, Texas. Height 6-1. Weight 175. Married. Home: Longview, Texas.

1966—Signed as free agent by New York (A.L.).

1967—Drafted by Oklahoma City from Binghamton (Eastern), Nov. 28.

1968 RECORD

Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)

G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
33	3	0	67	1-6	78	59	30	4.43

A drafted player, he had to be carried at the AAA level in '68 . . . in his first full year of pitching, he acquitted himself quite creditably . . . appeared in many tough situations . . . young, has much potential . . . played winter ball in Venezuela.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966—Binghamton (N.Y.-P.) and Ft. Lauderdale (Fla. St.).

1967 Oneonta (N.Y.-P.) and Johnson City (Appalachian).

1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

3 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	36	90	1-7	89	69	43	3.90

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1966	Binghamton	N.Y.-P.			Played outfield;	did not pitch			
1966	Ft. Lauderdale	Fla. State			Played outfield;	did not pitch			
1967	Oneonta	N.Y.-P.	1	2	0-0	4	2	3	9.00
1967	Johnson City	Appalachian	2	11	0-1	7	8	10	3.27
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	33	67	1-6	78	59	30	4.43

DANNY COOMBS (coo-ms)

31

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws left. Born March 23, 1942, at Lincoln, Maine. Height 6-5. Weight 210. Single. Home: South Brewer, Maine. Attended Seton Hall University.

1962—Signed as free agent, July.

1968 RECORD

3 years	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Houston (N.L.)	40	2	0	46.2	4-3	52	29	17	3.26

Impressive, primarily in relief, with 1968 Astros following fast finish in '67 . . . has won 7 of his last 10 major league decisions . . . wears glasses . . . nicknamed "Rocky" by good friend Larry Dierker after Danny "pulled a rock" play in bullpen once, picking up a live batted ball . . . aims for career in education after baseball . . . played baseball and basketball at Brewer, Maine high school and at Seton Hall . . . his 4-3 record was the only above-.500 Houston percentage in '68 . . . played winter ball for Estrellas of the Dominican Republic League.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963-64-65-66-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

6 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	82	139	8-6	148	104	59	4.08

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963—Durham (Carolina) and Modesto (California). 1966—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.) and Amarillo (Texas). 1967—Asheville (Carolina) and Amarillo (Texas).

3 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	90	465	20-36	443	469	263	389.

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1963	Durham	Carolina	5	31	1-2	40	25	22	4.94
1963	Modesto	California	23	155	9-10	134	182	112	3.48
1963	Houston	N.L.	1	1	0-0	3	0	0	27.00
1964	Houston	N.L.	7	18	1-1	21	14	10	5.00
1965	Houston	N.L.	26	47	0-2	54	35	23	4.79
1966	Okl. City	P.C.L.	4	14	0-2	18	9	9	5.19
1966	Amarillo	Texas	31	126	3-10	121	100	61	3.71
1966	Houston	N.L.	2	3	0-0	4	3	0	3.00
1967	Asheville	Carolina	9	61	4-5	59	59	15	2.66
1967	Amarillo	Texas	18	78	3-7	71	94	44	4.50
1967	Houston	N.L.	6	24	3-0	21	23	9	3.38
1968	Houston	N.L.	40	47	4-3	52	29	17	3.26

LARRY DIERKER (der-ker)

49

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Sept. 22, 1946, at Hollywood, Calif. Height 6-4. Weight 190. Married. Home: Houston.

1964—Signed as free agent by Houston, June.

1968 RECORD

Houston (N.L.)	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	32	32	10	233.2	12-15	206	161	89	3.31

Was just a little luck away from having a big year in 1968 . . . he was shut out six times and dropped three 1-run decisions . . . had six-game winning streak from June 24 through Aug. 20 (sandwiched around two weeks of military duty) . . . No. 2 on '68 Astro staff in wins and innings, ranked third in strikeouts . . . Dierker pitched only 39 innings in the minors before making his first National League appearance on his 18th birthday . . . all-league in baseball and basketball at Taft (Los Angeles) High . . . sought by 17 major league clubs when he signed with Houston.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1964-65-66-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

5 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	105	675	35-37	616	451	209	3.31

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1964—Cocoa (Rookie).

1 year	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	9	39	2-3	21	61	18	3.23

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1964	Cocoa	Rookie	9	39	2-3	21	61	18	3.23
1964	Houston	N.L.	3	8.2	0-1	7	5	3	2.00
1965	Houston	N.L.	26	146.2	7-8	135	109	37	3.49
1966	Houston	N.L.	29	187	10-8	173	108	45	3.27
1967	Houston	N.L.	15	99	6-5	95	68	25	3.36
1968	Houston	N.L.	32	233.2	12-15	206	161	89	3.31

JOHN EDWARDS

7

CATCHER—Bats left. Throws right. Born June 10, 1938, at Columbus, Ohio. Height 6-4. Weight 211. Married, two children. Home: Cincinnati, Ohio.

1959—Signed by Cincinnati Reds organization.

1968—Traded to St. Louis Cardinals for infielder Jim Williams and catcher Pat Corrales, Feb. 8.

1968—Traded to Houston Astros, Oct. 11.

1968 RECORD

St. Louis (National)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	85	230	55	9	1	3	29	1	.239

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1961-62-63-64-65-66-67—Cincinnati (N.L.); 1968—St. Louis (N.L.).

8 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	836	2607	649	120	13	56	325	7	.245

Set major league records in 1963 for most chances accepted by catcher (1,095) and most putouts by catcher (1,008) . . . led N.L. catchers in double plays in 1964 (17), tied for lead in 1962 (11) and 1963 (16) . . . received Gold Glove Award as outstanding fielding catcher in N.L. (1963-64) . . . three-time selection to National League All-Star team . . . led Cincinnati batters in 1961 World Series with .364 average . . . engineering graduate of Ohio State University, employed in off season by General Electric Co., Evendale, Ohio.

EDWARDS (Continued)

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1959—Visalia (Calif.). 1960—Nashville (South.). 1961—Indianapolis (A.A.).

3 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	322	1126	336	47	10	38	208	4	.298

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1959	Visalia	Calif.	122	469	150	24	4	16	99	2	.320
1960	Nashville	South.	136	437	128	11	3	14	70	0	.293
1961	Indianapolis	A.A.	64	220	58	12	3	8	39	2	.264
1961	Cincinnati	N.L.	52	145	27	5	0	2	14	1	.186
1962	Cincinnati	N.L.	133	452	115	28	5	8	50	1	.254
1963	Cincinnati	N.L.	148	495	128	19	4	11	67	1	.259
1964	Cincinnati	N.L.	126	423	119	23	1	7	55	1	.281
1965	Cincinnati	N.L.	114	371	99	22	2	17	51	0	.267
1966	Cincinnati	N.L.	98	282	54	8	0	6	39	1	.191
1967	Cincinnati	N.L.	80	209	43	6	0	2	20	1	.206
1968	St. Louis	N.L.	85	230	55	9	1	3	29	1	.239

GARY GEIGER (GUY-grr)

19

OUTFIELDER—Bats left. Throws right. Born April 4, 1937, at Sand Ridge, Ill. Height 6-0. Weight 168. Married. Home: Murphysboro, Ill.

1954—Signed by St. Louis (N.L.) as free agent.

1957—Drafted by Cleveland from Rochester (I.L.).

1965—Drafted by Atlanta from Toronto (I.L.).

1968—Drafted by Houston from Tulsa (P.C.L.) for \$25,000 Dec. 2.

1968 RECORD

Tulsa (P.C.L.)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	124	451	116	18	4	14	50	14	.286

Drafted by Houston on basis of his good year at Tulsa (was Astros' No. 1 choice in winter meetings) . . . veteran major leaguer handicapped throughout his career by injuries . . . established two American League records on July 4, 1963: most putouts (15) and total chances (16) by outfielder in doubleheader . . . has been a major league draft choice three times . . . good defensive outfielder . . . hobbies: golf, and hunting.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958—Cleveland (A.L.). 1959-60-61-62-63-64-65—Boston (A.L.)

1966-67—Atlanta (N.L.)

10 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	856	2440	604	87	28	77	267	60	.248

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1954—Hannibal (M-OV). 1955—Hamilton (Pony). 1956—Rochester (Int.). 1957—Omaha (A.A.), and Rochester (Int.). 1968—Tulsa (P.C.L.).

5 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	412	1045	271	35	10	34	133	23	.259

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1954	Hannibal	M.-O.V.	61	154	30	4	1	5	18	1	.195
1955	Hamilton	Pony	69	135	39	3	1	4	20	2	.289
1956	Rochester	Int.	38	52	17	5	0	0	12	0	.327
1957	Omaha	A.A.	20	60	16	2	1	2	9	0	.267
1957	Rochester	Int.	100	238	53	3	3	9	24	6	.223
1958	Cleveland	A.L.	91	195	45	3	1	1	6	2	.231
1959	Boston	A.L.	120	335	82	10	4	11	48	9	.245
1960	Boston	A.L.	77	245	74	13	3	9	33	2	.302
1961	Boston	A.L.	140	499	116	21	6	18	64	16	.232
1962	Boston	A.L.	131	466	116	18	4	16	54	18	.249
1963	Boston	A.L.	121	399	105	13	5	16	44	9	.263
1964	Boston	A.L.	5	13	5	0	1	0	1	0	.385
1965	Boston	A.L.	25	45	9	3	0	1	2	3	.200
1966	Atlanta	N.L.	78	126	33	5	3	4	10	0	.262
1967	Atlanta	N.L.	69	117	19	1	1	1	5	1	.162
1968	Tulsa	P.C.L.	124	406	116	18	4	14	50	14	.286

The Astros and the Philadelphia Phillies played the first official National League game in the Astrodome on Monday, April 12, 1965. Phillies' pitcher Chris Short shut out Houston, 2 to 0, before 42,652 with Bob Bruce being charged with the pitching loss.

CESAR GERONIMO

34

OUTFIELDER—Bats left. Throws left. Born March 11, 1948, at El Seibo, Dominican Republic. Height 6-2. Weight 164. Single. Home: El Seibo, Dominican Republic.

1967—Signed by New York (A.L.) as free agent.

1968—Drafted by Houston from Syracuse (I.L.) for \$8,000, Dec. 2.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Ft. Lauderdale (Fla. St.)	109	324	63	11	5	1	27	7	.194

Drafted by Houston out of the New York Yankees' organization . . . played winter ball with Licey of the Dominican Republic League.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967—Oneonta (N.Y.-P.) and Johnson City (Appalachian).
1968—Ft. Lauderdale (Fla. State).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
2 years	131	348	65	11	5	1	28	7	.187

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1967	Oneonta	N.Y.-P.	4	10	1	0	0	0	1	0	.100
1967	Johnson City	Appal.	18	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	.071
1968	Ft. Lauderdale	Fla. St.	109	324	63	11	5	1	27	7	.194

HAL GILSON

47

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws left. Born Feb. 9, 1942, at Los Angeles, Calif. Height 6-5. Weight 195. Married. Home: Oakland, Calif.

1961—Signed as free agent by Chicago (N.L.).

1965—Acquired by St. Louis in minor league deal.

1968—Traded to Houston with Dick Simpson for Ron Davis, June.

1968 RECORD

	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
St. Louis (N.L.)	13	0	0	21.2	0-2	27	19	11	4.67
Houston (N.L.)	2	0	0	3.2	0-0	7	1	1	7.36
Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)	16	13	3	81	3-9	90	66	39	5.00

Pitched briefly with Cardinals and Astros last season after turning in fine years at Tulsa in 1965 and 1967 . . . attended San Jose (Calif.) City College . . . hobby is music.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1961-62—St. Cloud (Northern). 1963—Wenatchee (Northwest) and Pocatello (Pion.). 1964—Wenatchee (Northwest). 1965—Tulsa (Texas). 1966—Tulsa (P.C.L.) and Arkansas (Texas). 1967—Tulsa (P.C.L.) 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
8 years	244	1039	54-70	1078	781	523	4.24

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1961	St. Cloud	Northern	9	33	1-4	48	23	45	10.36
1962	St. Cloud	Northern	36	137	5-10	155	111	116	5.78
1963	Wenatchee	Northwest	4	14	0-1	16	13	7	6.43
1963	Pocatello	Pioneer	28	168	8-14	205	175	83	5.09
1964	Wenatchee	Northwest	36	143	7-12	132	108	56	3.46
1965	Tulsa	Texas	39	139	11-4	112	88	53	1.75
1966	Tulsa	P.C.L.	35	81	1-3	93	41	38	5.00
1966	Arkansas	Texas	7	39	3-1	32	15	11	1.62
1967	Tulsa	P.C.L.	34	204	15-12	195	141	75	3.53
1968	St. Louis	N.L.	13	22	0-2	27	19	11	4.67
1968	Houston	N.L.	2	4	0-0	7	1	1	7.36
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	16	81	3-9	90	66	39	5.00

FRED GLADDING

48

PITCHER—Bats left. Throws right. Born June 28, 1936, at Flat Rock, Mich. Height 6-0. Weight 225. Married Margie Lee Clotfelter Sept. 19, 1960. Home: Knoxville, Tenn.

1956—Signed as free agent by the Detroit Tigers.

1967—Traded from Tigers to the Astros, November 22, in exchange for infielder Eddie Mathews, who went to Tigers on Aug. 17.

1968 RECORD

	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Houston (N.L.)	7	0	0	4-1	0-0	8	2	3	15.75

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1961-67—Detroit (A.L.). 1968—Houston (N.L.).

	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
8 years	224	1	0	340.1	26-11	292	263	134	2.86

Got in only seven games with Astros in 1968, missing virtually the entire year because of an elbow operation . . . came to Houston following the 1967 season from Detroit, where he been one of the major leagues' premier relief pitchers . . . had fifth best ERA in the A.L. in 1967 for pitchers in 40 or more games . . . pitched in at least 40 games for four consecutive seasons with Detroit . . . was 5-0 in 1966, had 1.99 ERA in '67 with Tigers.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1956-57—Valdosta (Ga.-Fla.). 1958—Charleston (A.A.), Birmingham (South.) and Augusta (Sally). 1959—Birmingham (South.) and Knoxville (Sally). 1960-61-62—Denver (A.A.). 1963-64—Syracuse (Int.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
9 years	280	1186	78-57	1082	922	494	2.98

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1956	Valdosta	Ga.-Fla.	35	199	11-9	166	167	86	2.76
1957	Valdosta	Ga.-Fla.	37	217	16-8	185	185	93	2.12
1958	Charleston	A.A.	3	5	0-2	8	4	6	10.80
1958	Birmingham	South.	3	7	0-1	8	6	6	7.71
1958	Augusta	Sally	30	163	12-7	136	101	68	3.04
1959	Birmingham	South.	7	39	2-3	39	22	30	5.54
1959	Knoxville	Sally	20	81	6-2	92	52	42	3.56
1960	Birmingham	South.	1	1	0-0	5	0	2	45.00
1960	Knoxville	Sally	23	122	9-5	102	100	45	2.43
1960	Denver	A.A.	14	65	3-2	57	44	14	2.35
1961	Denver	A.A.	17	86	7-3	80	73	26	2.20
1961	Detroit	A.L.	8	16	1-0	18	11	11	3.38
1962	Denver	A.A.	46	113	6-12	121	78	50	3.82
1962	Detroit	A.L.	6	5	0-0	3	4	2	0.00
1963	Syracuse	Int.	37	71	4-2	74	72	20	3.93
1963	Detroit	A.L.	22	27	1-1	19	24	14	2.00
1964	Syracuse	Int.	7	17	2-1	9	18	6	1.59
1964	Detroit	A.L.	42	67	7-4	57	59	27	3.09
1965	Detroit	A.L.	46	70	6-2	63	43	29	2.83
1966	Detroit	A.L.	51	74	5-0	62	57	29	3.28
1967	Detroit	A.L.	42	77	6-4	62	63	19	1.99
1968	Houston	N.L.	7	4	0-0	8	2	3	15.75

JULIO GOTAY (go-tie)

17

INFILDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born June 9, 1939, in Ponce, Puerto Rico. Height 6-0. Weight 180. Married. Home: Ponce, Puerto Rico.

1957—Signed as a free agent by St. Louis Cardinals.

1962—Traded to Pittsburgh Pirates with pitcher Don Cardwell for pitcher Diomedes Olivio and shortstop Dick Groat, Nov. 10.

1964—Traded to California Angels in exchange for outfielder Bob Perry, Dec. 3.

1966—Traded to Astros from Seattle for cash and player named later, pitcher Tom Arruda, June 27.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Houston (N.L.)	75	165	90	3	0	1	11	1	.248

GOTAY (Continued)

Veteran utility man who played valuable fill-in roles with Astros last two years . . . colorful player . . . hobbies are movies and comic books . . . holds Houston club record of eight consecutive hits (June 18-19-20, 1967).

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1960-61-62—St. Louis (N.L.). 1963-64—Pittsburgh (N.L.). 1965—California (A.L.). 1966-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

9 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	343	908	236	33	3	6	61	10	.260

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1957—Daytona Beach (Fla. St.) and Wytheville (Appl.). 1958—Winnipeg (North.). 1959-60—Tulsa (Texas). 1960—Rochester (Int.). 1961—Charleston (Int.). 1963-64—Columbus (Int.). 1965-66—Seattle (P.C.L.). 1966-67—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

10 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	813	2918	845	119	25	88	395	85	.289

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1957	Daytona Bch. Fla. St.	24	98	22	6	0	3	15	2	.224	
1957	Wytheville	Appl.	28	90	21	3	1	4	22	1	.233
1958	Winnipeg	North.	115	449	145	23	5	24	95	17	.323
1959	Tulsa	Texas	124	476	135	11	4	17	64	12	.284
1960	Rochester	Int.	49	156	35	4	2	1	13	9	.224
1960	Tulsa	Texas	61	232	70	11	2	13	45	6	.302
1960	St. Louis	N.L.	3	8	3	0	0	0	0	1	.375
1961	Charleston	Int.	115	398	122	15	3	7	39	17	.307
1961	St. Louis	N.L.	10	45	11	4	0	0	5	0	.244
1962	St. Louis	N.L.	127	369	94	12	1	2	27	7	.255
1963	Columbus	Int.	30	84	21	8	0	2	9	1	.250
1963	Pittsburgh	N.L.	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	.500
1964	Pittsburgh	N.L.	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	.500
1964	Columbus	Int.	85	274	76	8	0	11	30	6	.277
1965	California	A.L.	40	77	19	4	0	1	3	0	.247
1965	Seattle	P.C.L.	48	161	50	7	1	2	13	4	.311
1966	Seattle	P.C.L.	55	197	63	15	2	2	30	6	.320
1966	Houston	N.L.	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1966	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	33	114	31	2	2	0	8	4	.272
1967	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	46	189	59	6	2	2	12	1	.286
1967	Houston	N.L.	77	234	66	10	2	2	15	1	.282
1968	Houston	N.L.	75	165	41	3	0	1	11	1	.248

TOM GRIFFIN

38

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Feb. 22, 1948, at Los Angeles, Calif. Height 6-2. Weight 200. Married. Home: Sun Valley, Calif.

1966—Signed as free agent by Houston, April 3.

1968 RECORD

Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)

G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
29	28	9	168	7-14	157	144	94	4.34

Had his first full pro year without interruption in 1968 . . . pitched only half a year in '66, was bothered by tendonitis in '67 . . . has good assortment of pitches and a strong arm . . . good enough hitter to be used as pinch hitter at Oklahoma City . . . all-city and all-league at Grant High, Van Nuys, Calif., in baseball and football as senior . . . needs to improve control . . . not far below a strikeout per inning in pro ball.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966—Bismarck (Northern) and Amarillo (Texas). 1967—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.) and Asheville (Carolina). 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

3 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	62	308	13-29	314	296	180	5.03

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1966	Bismarck	Northern	11	46	3-5	44	66	29	5.67
1966	Amarillo	Texas	2	2	0-1	9	6	7	5.14
1967	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	8	34	0-5	38	30	27	5.82
1967	Asheville	Carolina	12	58	3-4	66	50	23	5.59
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	29	168	7-14	157	144	94	4.34

PAT HOUSE

43

PITCHER—Bats left. Throws left. Born September 1, 1940, at Boise, Idaho. Height 6-3. Weight 185. Married. Home: Eagle, Idaho. Graduated from University of Wyoming.

1961—Signed as a free agent by Milwaukee Braves.

1966—Drafted for \$12,000 from the Braves, Nov. 28.

1968 RECORD

	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Houston (N.L.)	18	0	0	16.1	1-1	21	6	6	7.88
Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)	14	0	0	20	3-1	15	17	4	1.80

Had strong finish at Oklahoma City last year . . . has good assortment of pitches . . . majored in mechanical engineering in college.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Boise (Pion.). 1963-64—Austin (Texas) and Denver (P.C.L.). 1965—Lynchburg (Southern) and Indianapolis (P.C.L.). 1966—Austin (Texas) and Richmond (Int.). 1967-68—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

7-years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	211	859	55-49	774	714	240	3.11

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1962	Boise	Pioneer	15	87	4-4	71	107	29	2.90
1963	Austin	Texas	16	118	9-5	92	104	41	3.11
1963	Denver	P.C.L.	11	47	1-6	77	32	12	8.04
1964	Austin	Texas	22	144	10-9	124	117	36	3.44
1964	Denver	P.C.L.	8	12	0-0	16	13	2	3.75
1965	Lynchburg	Southern	8	51	4-3	44	40	13	3.00
1965	Indianapolis	P.C.L.	24	77	3-3	81	63	25	3.86
1966	Austin	Texas	23	152	10-9	129	107	27	2.13
1966	Richmond	Int.	15	54	4-5	50	26	17	2.67
1967	Okla. City	P.C.L.	55	97	7-4	75	99	34	2.04
1967	Houston	N.L.	6	4	1-0	3	2	0	4.50
1968	Houston	N.L.	18	16	1-1	21	6	6	7.88
1968	Okla. City	P.C.L.	14	20	3-1	15	17	4	1.80

LARRY HOWARD

55

CATCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born June 6, 1945, at Columbus, Ohio. Height 6-3. Weight 200. Married. Home: Atwater Calif.

1963—Signed as free agent by Houston, June.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Dallas-FW (Texas)	62	193	47	10	3	4	20	1	.244

Converted to catcher in Instructional League following the 1967 season . . . was injured almost all of '68 (split a hand in spring training, had minor surgery in July) . . . has good chance to play in the majors . . . has hitting ability, arm strength . . . rugged, durable, aggressive.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963—Moultrie (Ga.-Fla.). 1964—Statesville (W. Carolinas). 1965—Salisbury (W. Carolinas). 1966—Durham (Carolina). 1966-67—Amarillo (Texas). 1967—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.). 1968—Dallas-FW (Texas).

6 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	530	1672	435	79	17	45	287	18	.260

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1963	Moultrie	Ga.-Fla.	49	148	32	5	1	1	15	2	.215
1964	Statesville	W. Caro.	107	375	90	17	3	10	69	2	.240
1965	Salisbury	W. Caro.	100	335	82	17	1	10	62	4	.245
1966	Durham	Caro.	100	337	100	14	4	13	70	6	.297
1966	Amarillo	Texas	22	68	23	6	1	4	19	2	.338
1967	Amarillo	Texas	22	46	15	3	3	1	14	1	.326
1967	Okla. City	P.C.L.	68	170	46	7	1	2	18	0	.271
1968	Dallas-FW	Texas	62	193	47	10	3	4	20	1	.244

HANK IZQUIERDO (eesk-YAR-DOUGH) 59

CATCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born March 20, 1931, at Matanzas, Cuba. Height 5-11. Weight 170. Married, two daughters. Home: Miami, Fla.

1951—Signed first pro contract.

1967—Drafted from Minnesota Twins organization for AAA classification, \$12,000, Nov. 28.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)	96	267	68	10	0	0	17	0	.255

Veteran minor league catcher . . . bullpen catcher for Cleveland in 1962, caught briefly for Minnesota in 1967 . . . good defensive catcher who helped Havana win 1959 Junior World Series . . . hobby is fishing.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1951-52-53—Galveston (Gulf Coast). 1954—Winston-Salem (Caro.). 1955—Keokuk (III). 1956—Indianapolis (A.A.), Mobile (Southern Assn.) and San Antonio (Texas). 1957-58-59—Havana (Int.). 1960-61—Jersey City (Int.). 1963—Orlando (Fla. St.). 1964-65-66—Charlotte (Southern). 1966-67—Denver (P.C.L.). 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
17 years	1628	5530	1401	237	38	39	490	62	.253

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1951	Galveston	Gulf Co.	92	246	49	7	0	3	17	2	.199
1952	Galveston	Gulf Co.	139	465	124	23	4	6	48	4	.267
1953	Galveston	Gulf Co.	137	544	152	39	2	7	52	9	.279
1954	Winston-Salem	Car.	139	575	154	33	8	3	42	15	.268
1955	Keokuk	III	119	483	146	29	5	7	55	22	.302
1956	Indianapolis	A.A.	19	44	11	0	0	1	10	0	.250
1956	Mobile	South.	56	178	37	7	1	3	20	2	.208
1956	San Antonio	Texas	42	111	28	3	0	1	8	0	.252
1957	Havana	Int.	115	301	46	6	0	0	20	2	.153
1958	Havana	Int.	121	331	65	7	4	1	17	2	.196
1959	Havana	Int.	59	170	37	4	1	1	7	0	.218
1960	Jersey City	Int.	57	118	22	6	0	1	10	0	.186
1961	Jersey City	Int.	32	78	20	3	1	0	6	1	.256
1962	Cleveland	A.L.									
											(Bullpen catcher)
1963	Orlando	Fla. St.	115	428	127	19	5	1	42	11	.297
1964	Charlotte	South.	92	248	62	5	1	2	17	0	.250
1965	Charlotte	South.	102	299	81	10	1	1	30	1	.271
1966	Charlotte	South.	35	107	21	0	1	0	11	1	.196
1966	Denver	P.C.L.	56	180	44	12	1	0	22	0	.244
1967	Denver	P.C.L.	115	357	107	15	3	1	39	0	.300
1967	Minnesota	A.L.	16	26	7	2	0	0	2	0	.269
1968	Okl. City	P.C.L.	96	267	68	10	0	0	17	0	.255

JOHN JONES

9

CATCHER—Bats left. Throws right. Born June 16, 1949, at St. Joseph, Tenn. Height 6-1. Weight 200. Married. Home: St. Joseph, Tenn.

1967—Signed as free agent (first-round draft choice) by Washington, June.

1968—Purchased by Kansas City in special expansion draft, Dec. 2; traded to Houston for John Martinez, Dec. 16.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Geneva (N.Y.-P.)	38	90	15	5	0	0	8	1	.167

Houston obtained Jones on basis of scouting reports . . . at the time he was originally signed by Washington, he was No. 2 behind John Mayberry on Astro list of prospects . . . very limited pro experience due to attending college . . . good arms and agility, with a power potential.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967-68—Geneva (N.Y.-P.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
2 years	54	133	22	7	0	0	11	1	.165

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1967	Geneva	(N.Y.-P.)	16	43	7	2	0	0	3	0	.163
1968	Geneva	(N.Y.-P.)	38	90	15	5	0	0	8	1	.167

HAL KING

8

CATCHER—Bats left. Throws right. Born Feb. 2, 1944, at Oviedo, Fla. Height 6-1. Weight 195. Married. Home: Oviedo, Fla.

1965—Signed as free agent by California Angels.

1966—Drafted from Angels' El Paso club for Astros' Oklahoma City roster.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Houston (N.L.)	27	55	8	2	1	0	2	0	.145
Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)	43	147	37	7	1	3	17	0	.252
Dallas-FW (Texas)	56	183	47	15	3	4	23	2	.257

Started 1968 season as Astros' regular catcher, but batting problems necessitated his being sent down for more experience . . . led Carolina League in home runs in 1967 and was named to Topps' Class A All-Eastern Team thereby . . . has played last two winters with Estrellas team in the Dominican League . . . has good power, reflected by his 8 major league RBI on 19 hits.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965—Davenport (Midwest). 1966—Dallas-FW (Texas). 1967—Asheville (Carolina). 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.) and Dallas-FW (Texas).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
4 years	381	1138	292	65	7	44	167	12	.257

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1965	Davenport	Midwest	90	253	61	14	1	6	31	3	.241
1966	Dallas-FW	Texas	57	96	15	3	1	1	9	1	.156
1967	Asheville	Carolina	135	459	132	26	1	30	87	6	.288
1967	Houston	N.L.	15	44	11	1	2	0	6	0	.250
1968	Houston	N.L.	27	55	8	2	1	0	2	0	.145
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	43	147	37	7	1	3	17	0	.252
1968	Dallas-FW	Texas	56	183	47	15	3	4	23	2	.257

KEITH LAMPARD

56

OUTFIELDER—Bats left. Throws right. Born Dec. 20, 1945, at Warrington, England. Height 6-2. Weight 185. Married. Home: Portland, Ore. Attended University of Oregon.

1965—Signed by Houston as free agent, June.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Oklahoma City (P.C.L.)	106	382	102	22	2	11	53	1	.266

Appears certain to play in the major leagues . . . has hit the ball well every place he's been . . . a solid performer on the A, AA and AAA levels . . . has averaged more than a hit per game in pro ball . . . was 14-0 as pitcher and hit .380 in three years at Madison (Portland) High . . . was one of Houston's top draft choices in June, 1965 . . . hobby is golf.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965—Salisbury (W. Carolina). 1966—Salisbury (W. Carolina), Durham (Carolina) and Oklahoma City (P.C.L.). 1967—Amarillo (Texas). 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
4 years	390	1436	403	72	12	59	234	13	.281

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1965	Salisbury	W. Caro.	41	140	30	5	1	2	14	1	.214
1966	Salisbury	W. Caro.	57	226	77	11	1	15	60	3	.341
1966	Durham	Carolina	52	201	55	11	3	9	27	2	.274
1966	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	20	66	20	4	3	0	6	1	.303
1967	Amarillo	Texas	114	420	119	19	2	22	74	5	.283
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	106	383	102	22	2	11	53	1	.266

DENNY LEMASTER

23

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws left. Born Feb. 25, 1939, at Corona, Calif. Height 6-2. Weight 185. Married Barbara Earline Smith, Nov. 8, 1958. Home: Atlanta.

1958—Signed by Milwaukee as free agent for reported \$60,000.

1967—Traded by Atlanta to Houston with infielder Denis Menke for Sonny Jackson and Chuck Harrison.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Houston (NL)	33	32	7	224	10-15	231	146	72	2.81

His 2.81 ERA was best for a Houston starter last season . . . in 10 of his 32 starts, was supported by no more than one run (lost one 1-0 game, two by 2-0) . . . in '67, led Braves in starts, innings, shutouts and strikeouts, was second in total games and complete games . . . named to 1967 N.L. all-star team, but couldn't pitch due to hurt back . . . best year in majors: 17-11 in 1964 . . . hobby is fishing, and he's quite good at it (won major league fishing tourney in Florida last year) . . . given name is Denver.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962-63-64-65-66-67—Milwaukee-Atlanta (N.L.). 1968—Houston (N.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
7 years	225	1301	68-74	1215	988	435	3.49

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958—Eau Claire (Northern). 1959—Jacksonville (Sally). 1960—Austin (Texas). 1961—Vancouver (P.C.L.) and Louisville (A.A.). 1962—Louisville (A.A.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
5 years	118	702	47-39	582	655	401	3.53

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1958	Eau Claire	North.	8	51	4-2	37	59	33	2.82
1959	Jacksonville	Sally	32	172	11-17	239	150	122	3.56
1960	Austin	Tex.	30	198	14-6	169	181	126	3.73
1961	Vancouver	PCL	14	53	2-6	60	42	33	5.09
1961	Louisville	A.A.	16	104	6-4	91	98	46	3.98
1962	Louisville	A.A.	18	124	10-4	96	125	41	2.40
1962	Milwaukee	N.L.	17	87	3-4	75	69	32	3.00
1963	Milwaukee	N.L.	46	237	11-14	199	190	85	3.04
1964	Milwaukee	N.L.	39	221	17-11	216	185	75	4.15
1965	Milwaukee	N.L.	32	146	7-13	140	111	58	4.44
1966	Atlanta	N.L.	27	171	11-8	170	139	41	3.74
1967	Atlanta	N.L.	31	215	9-9	184	148	72	3.35
1968	Houston	N.L.	33	224	10-15	231	146	72	2.81

JACK LIND

51

INFILDER—Bats switch. Throws right. Born June 8, 1946, at Denver, Colo. Height 6-0. Weight 170. Married. Home: Wickenburg, Ariz. Attended Arizona State University.

1967—Signed by Houston as free agent (selected in free agent draft).

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Greensboro (Carolina)	104	368	97	23	21	4	36	6	.264

Member of NCAA championship Arizona State team . . . after dismal first year of pro ball (1967), was leading the Carolina league with a .342 average in June when he went into military service for almost a month . . . has good speed and good range.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967—Asheville (Carolina). 1968—Greensboro (Carolina).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
2 years	153	502	118	26	3	4	44	10	.235

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1967	Asheville	Carolina	49	134	21	3	0	0	8	4	.157
1968	Greensboro	Carolina	104	368	97	23	3	4	36	6	.264

LEO MARENTETTE (mar-en-TET)

57

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Feb. 18, 1941, at Detroit, Mich. Height 6-2. Weight 200. Married. Home: Toledo, Ohio.

1960—Signed by Detroit as free agent.

1968—Purchased by Oklahoma City from Toledo (Int.), Dec. 10.

1968 RECORD

TOLEDO (INT.)	G	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	31	3	0	67	2-2	61	44	26	4.57

Veteran minor league pitcher who saw brief action with Detroit in 1965 . . . led Sally League in shutouts in 1962 (5) . . . pitched 7-inning no-hitter against Charlotte, June 22, 1963.

MINOR LEAGUE

1960—Montgomery (Ala.-Fla.). 1961—Durham (Carolina) and Duluth-Superior (Northern). 1962—Knoxville (Sally) and Denver (A.A.). 1963—Knoxville (Sally) and Syracuse (Int.). 1964—Knoxville (Southern) and Syracuse (Int.). 1965—Rocky Mount (Carolina). 1966—Syracuse (Int.). 1967-68—Toledo (Int.).

9 YEARS	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	301	1232	70-76	1099	901	639	3.41

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1960	Montgomery	Ala.-Fla.	28	125	7-7	104	85	86	3.96
1961	Durham	Carolina	7	11	1-2	--	12	--	4.22
1961	Dul Supr	Northern	40	139	10-7	135	96	68	3.11
1962	Knoxville	Sally	35	221	14-11	174	205	125	3.14
1962	Denver	A.A.	1	9	1-0	2	8	3	0.00
1963	Knoxville	Sally	22	119	8-7	110	96	66	4.31
1963	Syracuse	Int.	14	31	1-2	32	28	21	4.94
1964	Knoxville	Southern	12	76	3-7	83	43	26	3.08
1964	Syracuse	Int.	6	14	1-2	13	5	11	6.43
1965	Rocky Mount	Carolina	30	181	12-11	147	143	101	3.03
1965	Detroit	A.L.	2	3	0-0	1	3	1	0.00
1966	Syracuse	Int.	36	174	8-12	178	92	77	4.45
1967	Toledo	Int.	39	65	2-6	60	44	29	4.02
1968	Toledo	Int.	31	67	2-2	61	44	26	4.57

ORLANDO MARTINEZ (mar-TEEN-is) 14

INFILDER—Bats switch. Throws right. Born Aug. 23, 1941, at Havana, Cuba. Height 6-1. Weight 175. Married. Home: Kansas City, Mo. Attended Havana University and University of Mexico.

1959—Signed as free agent by Minnesota.

1966—Drafted by Atlanta from Denver (P.C.L.), November.

1968—Traded to Houston for Bob Aspromonte, Dec. 4.

1968 RECORD

ATLANTA (NL)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	113	356	82	5	5	0	12	6	.230

Has caught and played, second, third and short . . . saw first major league action with Minnesota Twins in 1962 . . . filled key utility role for Atlanta in 1967 and 1968 . . . was named to Carolina League all-star team in 1961.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Minnesota (A.L.). 1967-68—Atlanta (N.L.).

3 YEARS	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	194	447	106	7	5	0	20	6	.237

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1960—Erie (N.Y.-P.). 1961—Wilson (Carolina). 1963—Dallas-FW (P.C.L.) and Charlotte (Sally). 1964—Atlanta (I.L.). 1965-66—Denver (P.C.L.).

6 YEARS	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	704	2256	538	76	12	4	195	42	.238

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1960	Erie	NY-P	86	297	66	7	1	0	24	3	.222
1961	Wilson	Carolina	139	472	125	18	5	1	56	12	.265
1962	Minnesota	AL	37	18	3	0	1	0	3	0	.167
1963	Dallas-FW	PCL	13	36	7	0	0	0	2	0	.194
1963	Charlotte	Sally	110	349	67	6	2	2	30	6	.192
1964	Atlanta	IL	128	409	82	17	0	1	24	5	.200
1965	Denver	PCL	131	386	95	17	3	0	27	6	.246
1966	Denver	PCL	97	307	96	11	1	0	32	10	.313
1967	Atlanta	NL	44	73	21	2	1	0	5	0	.288
1968	Atlanta	NL	113	356	82	5	3	0	12	6	.230

JOHN MAYBERRY

33

FIRST BASEMAN—Bats left. Throws left. Born Feb. 18, 1950, at Detroit, Mich. Height 6-3. Weight 215. Single. Home: Detroit, Mich. Attended University of Michigan.

1967—Signed by Houston as free agent.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Cocoa (Fla. State)	64	195	66	9	3	14	48	1	.338
Greensboro (Carolina)	43	158	52	14	1	8	29	2	.329
Oklahoma City (PCL)	24	78	20	0	0	1	5	0	.256
Houston (NL)	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

Was leading Florida State League in most departments when he left . . . his .329 average at Greensboro was just one point off Carolina League's top average . . . highly-regarded young prospect . . . despite good power and free swing, struck out only 57 times in 135 games in four different leagues (all the way from Class A to the major leagues) . . . was Houston's No. 1 draft selection in June 1967, free agent draft.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967—Covington (Appalachian). 1968—Cocoa (Fla. State), Greensboro (Carolina) and Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
2 years	181	586	177	30	4	27	103	5	.302

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1967	Covington	Appal.	50	155	39	7	0	4	21	2	.252
1968	Cocoa	Fla. St.	64	195	66	9	3	14	48	1	.338
1968	Greensboro	Caro.	43	158	52	14	1	8	29	2	.329
1968	Oklahoma City	PCL	24	78	20	0	0	1	5	0	.256
1968	Houston	NL	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

LEON McFADDEN

20

INFILDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born April 26, 1944, at Little Rock, Ark. Height 6-2. Weight 195. Married. Home: Los Angeles, Calif.

1963—Signed by Houston as free agent.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Oklahoma City (PCL)	125	437	106	17	6	1	22	9	.243
Houston (N.L.)	16	47	13	1	0	0	1	1	.277

A converted pitcher who has one of the better arms in the Houston organization . . . pitched briefly at Durham in 1964, but was converted to infield because of his good power . . . has played consistent AAA ball, then impressed in late-season 1968 action at Houston . . . played baseball, football, basketball at Fremont (Los Angeles) High . . . hit one of the first home runs ever struck in the Astrodome (April 11, 1965, against the New York Yankees) . . . played last winter with Estrellas of the Dominican Republic League.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1964—Durham (Carolina). 1965—Amarillo (Texas) and Cocoa (Fla. State). 1966—Salisbury (W. Carolina), Durham (Carolina) and Oklahoma City (P.C.L.). 1967-68—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
5 years	605	2068	480	56	32	17	186	25	.232

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD AS NON-PITCHER

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1964	Durham	Carolina	59	161	38	4	4	2	13	0	.236
1965	Amarillo	Texas	77	295	67	11	2	1	32	1	.227
1965	Cocoa	Fla. St.	57	204	50	5	8	0	29	8	.245
1966	Salisbury	W. Caro.	20	74	20	2	1	3	7	3	.270
1966	Durham	Carolina	26	87	17	3	0	0	6	0	.195
1966	Oklahoma City	PCL	96	318	64	4	3	8	32	0	.201
1967	Oklahoma City	PCL	145	492	118	10	8	2	45	4	.240
1968	Oklahoma City	PCL	125	437	106	17	6	1	22	9	.243
1968	Houston	NL	16	47	13	1	0	0	1	1	.277

DENIS MENKE

11

INFIELD—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 21, 1940, at Bancroft, Iowa. Height 6-0. Weight 180. Married Jean Gitzinger, Oct. 5, 1963. Home: Chamblee, Ga.

1958—Signed as free agent by Milwaukee for reported \$125,000. 1967—Traded with pitcher Denny Lemaster from Atlanta to Houston in exchange for shortstop Sonny Jackson and first baseman Chuck Harrison, Oct. 8.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Houston (NL)	150	542	135	23	6	6	56	5	.249

Astros' most valuable player in 1968 . . . set Houston club record for highest fielding percentage by second baseman (.982) . . . led '68 Astros in triples, was second in runs scored, third in such categories as total hits, RBI, total bases . . . unlike most major leaguers, he improved his batting average last year (up 22 points from 1967) . . . played five positions in 1962 to set Braves' record . . . capable of playing all infield positions and has logged some time in outfield . . . tied N.L. record May 23, 1964, drawing three intentional walks in one game . . . hobbies are basketball and music.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962-63-64-65—Milwaukee (N.L.). 1966-67—Atlanta (N.L.). 1968—Houston (N.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
7 years	835	2764	680	118	24	65	304	20	.246

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958—Cedar Rapids (III) and Midland (Soph.). 1959—Cedar Rapids. 1960—Yakima (N.W.). 1961—Vancouver (P.C.L.). 1962—Toronto (Int.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
5 years	524	1762	515	89	18	70	307	33	.299

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1958	Cedar Rapids	III	13	45	12	2	0	1	6	1	.267
1958	Midland	Soph.	66	246	70	10	2	8	54	1	.285
1959	Cedar Rapids	III	89	301	76	13	1	8	25	2	.252
1960	Yakima	NW	140	473	159	26	7	28	103	14	.336
1961	Vancouver	PCL	137	434	127	23	6	15	73	11	.293
1962	Milwaukee	NL	50	146	28	3	1	2	16	0	.192
1962	Toronto	Int.	79	263	71	15	2	10	46	4	.270
1963	Milwaukee	NL	146	518	121	16	4	11	50	6	.234
1964	Milwaukee	NL	151	505	143	29	5	20	65	4	.283
1965	Milwaukee	NL	71	181	44	13	1	4	18	1	.243
1966	Atlanta	NL	138	454	114	20	4	15	60	0	.251
1967	Atlanta	NL	129	418	95	14	3	7	39	4	.227
1968	Houston	NL	150	542	135	23	6	6	56	5	.249

NORM MILLER

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OUTFIELDER—Bats left. Throws right. Born February 5, 1946, at Los Angeles, Calif. Height 5-11. Weight 195. Married. Home: Houston.

1964—Signed by Los Angeles Angels organization.

1964—Drafted by Houston as first year player for \$8,000 from Quad Cities (Midwest), Dec. 1.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Oklahoma City (PCL)	28	98	30	5	2	1	10	1	.306
Houston	79	257	61	18	2	6	28	6	.237

Broke bone in ankle Sept. 20, missed rest of season . . . Astros' No. 1 right fielder much of season, missed many games due to military service . . . saw more action last year than in three previous seasons with Houston . . . started playing semi-pro ball at age of 14 . . . all-league in baseball and football at Van Nuys (Calif.) High . . . hobbies; all sports.

MILLER (Continued)

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965-66-67-68—Houston (N.L.)

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
4 years	165	496	108	27	6	8	46	8	.218

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1964—Quad Cities (Midwest). 1965—Amarillo (Texas). 1966-67-68—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
5 years	315	1044	297	48	18	38	172	24	.284

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1964	Quad Cities	Midwest	53	183	55	11	3	8	30	15	.301
1965	Amarillo	Texas	133	457	132	21	6	20	92	7	.289
1965	Houston	N.L.	11	15	3	0	1	0	1	0	.200
1966	Okla. City	PCL	91	274	67	11	5	8	30	1	.245
1966	Houston	N.L.	11	34	5	0	0	1	3	0	.147
1967	Okla. City	PCL	10	32	13	0	2	1	10	0	.406
1967	Houston	N.L.	64	190	39	9	3	1	14	2	.205
1968	Okla. City	PCL	28	98	30	5	2	1	10	1	.306
1968	Houston	N.L.	79	257	61	18	2	6	28	6	.237

BILL MONBOUQUETTE (mahn-boo-ket) 35

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Aug. 11, 1936, at Medford, Mass. Height 5-11. Weight 203. Married. Home: Medford, Mass.

1955—Signed as free agent by Boston Red Sox.

1965—Traded to Detroit for George Thomas and George Smith, October.

1967—Released by Detroit, May 15; signed as free agent by New York (A.L.), June 2.

1968—Sold to San Francisco, July 12; conditionally purchased by Houston, Dec. 20.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
New York (AL)	17	11	2	89	5-7	92	32	13	4.45
San Francisco (NL)	7	0	0	12	0-1	11	5	2	3.75

Holds American League record for most strikeouts in a night game (17, on May 12, 1961) . . . pitched 1-0 no-hitter against Chicago (A.L.), Aug. 1, 1962 . . . best season in majors: 1963 (20-10 with Boston) . . . hobbies are hockey, fishing and hunting.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958-59-60-61-62-64-64-65—Boston (A.L.). 1966—Detroit (A.L.).

1967—Detroit (A.L.) and New York (A.L.). 1968—New York (A.L.) and San Francisco (N.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
11 years	345	1961	114-112	1995	1122	462	3.69

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1955—Corning (Pony) and Bluefield (Appalachian). 1956—Corning (Pony). 1957—Albany (Eastern) and Greensboro (Carolina). 1958—Minneapolis (A.A.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
4 years	92	560	37-27	524	451	216	3.22

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1955	Corning	NY-P	1	2	0-0	6	0	2	13.50
1955	Bluefield	Appa.	10	47	2-4	46	30	21	3.06
1956	Corning	Pony	27	184	15-7	171	177	65	2.45
1957	Albany	Eastern	6	21	1-1	27	13	10	5.57
1957	Greensboro	Carolina	26	172	11-6	167	137	73	3.77
1958	Minneapolis	A.A.	22	134	8-9	107	94	35	3.16
1958	Boston	A.L.	10	54	3-4	52	30	20	3.33
1959	Boston	A.L.	34	152	7-7	165	87	33	4.14
1960	Boston	A.L.	35	215	14-11	217	134	68	3.64
1961	Boston	A.L.	32	236	14-14	233	161	100	3.39
1962	Boston	A.L.	35	235	15-13	227	153	65	3.33
1963	Boston	A.L.	37	267	20-10	258	174	42	3.81
1964	Boston	A.L.	36	234	13-14	258	120	40	4.04
1965	Boston	A.L.	35	229	10-18	239	110	40	3.69
1966	Detroit	A.L.	30	103	7-8	120	61	22	4.72
1967	Detroit	A.L.	2	2	0-0	1	2	0	0.00
1967	New York	A.L.	33	133	6-5	122	53	17	2.36
1968	New York	A.L.	17	89	5-7	92	32	13	4.45
1968	San Francisco	N.L.	7	12	0-1	11	5	2	3.75

JOE MORGAN

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SECOND BASEMAN—Bats left. Throws right. Born Sept. 19, 1943, at Bonham, Tex. Height 5-7. Weight 150. Married. Home: Houston.

1962—Signed as free agent, Nov. 1.

1968 RECORD

Houston (N.L.)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	10	20	5	0	1	0	0	3	.250

Got in only 10 games last year before being sidelined for remainder of season with knee injury and subsequent operation . . . that was the first, and one of the worst, of the injuries that plagued the 1968 Astros . . . holds many Houston club batting records, and in a full season usually leads club in walks and stolen bases . . . was Texas League's MVP in 1964 . . . named Sporting News' Rookie of the Year in 1965 . . . named to starting berth on 1966 N.L. All-Star squad, but was sidelined with an injury . . . one of the league's best in two departments—getting on base and hitting into fewest force double plays (only 2 of latter in both 1966 and 1967) . . . played at Castlemont High in Oakland . . . nicknamed "Little Joe."

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963-64-65-66-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

6 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	440	1602	438	63	33	25	127	64	.273

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963—Modesto (Calif.) and Durham (Carol.). 1964—San Antonio (Texas).

2 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	280	970	307	67	13	30	160	59	.310

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1963	Modesto	Calif.	45	152	40	5	3	5	27	5	.263
1963	Durham	Carol.	95	322	107	20	2	13	43	7	.332
1963	Houston	N.L.	8	25	6	0	1	0	3	1	.240
1964	San Antonio	Texas	140	496	160	42	8	12	90	47	.323
1964	Houston	N.L.	10	37	7	0	0	0	0	0	.189
1965	Houston	N.L.	157	601	163	22	12	14	40	20	.271
1966	Houston	N.L.	122	425	121	14	8	5	42	11	.285
1967	Houston	N.L.	133	494	136	27	11	6	42	29	.275
1968	Houston	N.L.	10	20	5	0	1	0	0	3	.250

DOUG RADER (raider)

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THIRD BASEMAN—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 30, 1944, in Chicago, Ill. Height 6-2. Weight 210. Married Beryl Jeannette Becklin, May 19, 1967. Home: Riviera Beach, Fla.

1964—Signed as a free agent, September 13 for 1965 contract.

1968 RECORD

Houston (N.L.)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	98	333	89	16	4	6	43	2	.267

Finished strongly in '68 after losing much time to military service . . . ended with .267 average (third best among regulars) . . . played all but a handful of games at third base, his "natural" position . . . batted .333 for Astros over last third of '67 campaign, playing at first base . . . nicknamed "Red Rooster" because of his red hair and competitive spirit . . . attended Illinois Wesleyan . . . was all-star at Bloomington (Northbrook, Ill.) High as junior and senior . . . 12 other clubs tried to sign him . . . Texas League all-star third baseman in 1966 . . . hobbies are fishing, hunting, playing pool.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967-68—Houston (N.L.).

2 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	145	495	143	26	10	8	69	2	.289

RADER (Continued)

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965—Durham (Carol.). 1966—Amarillo (Texas). 1967—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

3 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	325	1130	302	58	18	39	156	14	.267

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1965	Durham	Carolina	112	330	69	14	1	14	38	1	.209
1966	Amarillo	Texas	138	527	153	21	12	16	49	10	.290
1967	Oklahoma City	PCL	75	273	80	23	5	9	44	3	.293
1967	Houston	N.L.	47	162	54	10	4	2	26	0	.333
1968	Houston	N.L.	98	333	89	16	4	6	43	2	.267

JIM RAY

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PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Dec. 1, 1944, at Rock Hill, S.C. Height 6-1. Weight 195. Single. Home: Holly, Mich.

1962—Signed as free agent by Baltimore organization.

1963—Drafted as first-year player for \$8,000 by Houston, Dec. 2.

1967—Sold conditionally to New York Mets—returned to Houston.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Houston (N.L.)	41	2	1	81	2-3	65	71	25	2.67

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965-66-68—Houston (N.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
3 years	45	88.2	2-5	76	78	32	3.44

One of Astros' pleasant surprises last year . . . was second-busiest pitcher, appearing in 41 games . . . has averaged almost a strikeout per inning in pro ball . . . played four sports at Holly, Mich., high school . . . contract purchased from Oklahoma City prior to '68 season, he went on to have a good year with a low ERA . . . played winter ball with Estrellas of the Dominican Republic League.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963—Bluefield (Appl.). 1964—San Antonio (Texas). 1965—Durham (Carolina), 1965 and 67—Amarillo (Texas). 1966 and 67—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
5 years	105	589	37-30	470	589	327	3.22

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1963	Bluefield	Appl.	9	50	5-0	33	78	37	2.88
1964	San Antonio	Texas	16	92	4-4	76	77	55	3.72
1965	Durham	Carolina	8	63	5-3	46	85	37	2.57
1965	Amarillo	Texas	13	70	4-4	51	61	31	2.83
1965	Houston	N.L.	3	8	0-2	11	7	6	10.13
1966	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	29	127	8-7	111	108	69	3.97
1966	Houston	N.L.	1	0	0-0	0	0	1	---
1967	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	20	104	3-11	95	95	54	4.24
1967	Amarillo	Texas	10	83	8-1	58	85	44	1.30
1968	Houston	N.L.	41	81	2-3	65	71	25	2.67

The first baseball game played in the Astrodome was Friday, April 9, 1965, an exhibition between the Astros and New York Yankees. Houston won the game, 2 to 1, in 12 innings with Hal Woodeshick getting credit for the pitching win and Pete Mikkelsen the loss. A paid crowd of 47,876 watched the game and saw Mickey Mantle hit the first Astrodome home run in the sixth inning with the bases empty.

HOWIE REED

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Dec. 21, 1936, at Dallas, Texas. Height 6-1. Weight 210. Married. Home: Corpus Christi, Tex. Attended University of Texas.

1958—Signed as a free agent by Dodgers.
 1962—Offered to the New York Mets but returned to Dodgers after a "look."
 1966—Obtained by California Angels in exchange for pitcher Dick Egan.
 1966—Obtained by Astros in exchange for infielder Tony Curry.

1968 RECORD

Oklahoma City (PCL)	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	35	29	8	192	15-10	195	134	48	3.66

Has had two fine back-to-back seasons in the Pacific Coast League . . . pitched effectively for Astros at end of '67 season . . . can be effective as starter, middle or short reliever . . . hobbies: golf and skin diving.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958-59-60—Kansas City (American). 1964-65—Los Angeles (National). 1966—California (American). 1967—Houston (National).

7 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	37	309	11-14	302	140	94	3.45

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958—Little Rock (Southern) and Albany (Eastern). 1959—Portland (P.C.L.). 1960—Dallas-FW (A.A.) and San Diego (P.C.L.). 1961-62-63-64—Spokane (P.C.L.). 1966—Seattle (P.C.L.). 1967-68—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

9 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	293	1699	114-84	1621	1021	535	3.68

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1958	Little Rock	Southern	7	32	1-4	43	18	10	5.91
1958	Albany	Eastern	28	189	10-14	169	136	62	3.14
1958	Kansas City	A.L.	3	10	1-0	5	5	4	0.90
1959	Portland	P.C.L.	22	152	9-7	135	81	59	2.78
1959	Kansas City	A.L.	6	21	0-3	26	11	10	7.29
1960	Dallas-FW	A.A.	27	89	5-5	108	49	40	4.96
1960	San Diego	P.C.L.	11	75	5-3	72	39	38	3.48
1960	Kansas City	A.L.	1	2	0-0	2	1	0	0.00
1961	Spokane	P.C.L.	41	149	6-13	146	88	54	3.81
1962	Spokane	P.C.L.	33	212	12-8	204	118	66	3.01
1963	Spokane	P.C.L.	38	229	19-7	218	131	58	2.75
1964	Spokane	P.C.L.	13	102	8-3	84	65	22	2.03
1964	Los Angeles	N.L.	26	90	3-4	79	52	36	3.20
1965	Los Angeles	N.L.	38	78	7-5	73	47	27	3.12
1966	California	A.L.	19	90	0-1	98	17	15	2.93
1966	Seattle	P.C.L.	7	47	5-2	33	34	13	1.91
1967	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	31	231	19-8	214	128	65	2.73
1967	Houston	N.L.	4	18.1	1-1	19	9	2	3.50
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	35	192	15-10	195	134	48	3.66

JAY SCHLUETER

OUTFIELDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 31, 1949, at Phoenix, Ariz. Height 6-0. Weight 182. Single. Home: Phoenix, Ariz.

1967—Signed by Houston as free agent (selected in free agent draft).

1968 RECORD

Greensboro (Carolina)	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	106	345	65	5	2	4	34	9	.188

Has outstanding speed . . . is considered to be an exceptional outfielder.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1967—Covington (Appalachian). 1968—Greensboro (Carolina).

2 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
	127	415	82	8	2	6	39	13	.198

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1967	Covington	Appal.	21	70	17	3	0	2	5	4	.243
1968	Greensboro	Carolina	106	345	65	5	2	4	34	9	.188

Manager—Harry Walker 25
Trainer—Jim Ewell
Equipment Manager—Whitney Diskin

1969 HOUSTON ROSTER

Jim McGaha 3
Buddy Hancken 4
Jim Owens 5

PITCHERS							B	T	HT	WGT	BORN	BIRTHPLACE	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	IP	W-L	ERA
36 Blasingame, Wade	L	L	6-1	185	November 22, 1943	Deming, N.M.	Fresno, Calif.	Houston		36	1-2	4.75					
30 Buzhardt, John	R	R	6-2	200	August 17, 1936	Newberry, S.C.	Prosperity, S.C.	Houston		84	4-4	3.11					
41 Cook, Ron	L	L	6-1	175	July 11, 1947	Jefferson, Texas	Longview, Texas	Oklahoma City		67	1-6	4.43					
31 Coombs, Danny	R	L	6-5	210	March 23, 1942	Lincoln, Maine	Brewer, Maine	Houston		47	4-3	3.26					
49 Dierker, Larry	R	R	6-4	190	September 22, 1946	Hollywood, Calif.	Houston	Houston		234	12-15	3.31					
47 Gilson, Hal	R	L	6-5	195	February 9, 1942	Los Angeles	Oakland, Calif.	St. Louis		22	0-2	4.67					
48 Gladding, Fred	L	R	6-0	225	June 28, 1936	Flat Rock, Mich.	Knoxville, Tenn.	Houston		4	0-0	15.75					
38 Griffin, Tom	R	R	6-2	200	February 22, 1948	Los Angeles	Sun Valley, Calif.	Oklahoma City		168	7-14	4.34					
43 House, Pat	L	L	6-3	185	September 1, 1940	Boise, Idaho	Eagle, Idaho	Houston		16	1-1	7.88					
23 Lemaster, Denny	R	L	6-2	185	February 25, 1939	Corona, Calif.	Atlanta	Oklahoma City		20	3-1	1.80					
57 Marentette, Leo	R	R	6-2	200	February 18, 1941	Detroit	Toledo, Ohio	Houston		224	10-15	2.81					
35 Monbouquette, Bill	R	R	5-11	203	August 11, 1936	Medford, Mass.	Medford, Mass.	Yankees		89	5-7	4.45					
45 Ray, Jim	R	R	6-1	195	December 1, 1944	Rock Hill, S.C.	Holly, Michigan	San Francisco		12	0-1	3.75					
52 Reed, Howie	R	R	6-1	210	December 21, 1936	Dallas	Corpus Christi, Texas	Houston		81	2-3	2.67					
58 Schneider, Dan	L	L	6-3	170	August 29, 1942	Evansville, Ind.	Tucson, Arizona	Oklahoma City		192	15-10	3.66					
42 Shea, Steve	R	R	6-4	210	December 5, 1942	Worcester, Mass.	Amherst, Mass.	Toledo		71	7-2	3.42					
39 Spinks, Scipio	R	R	6-1	185	July 12, 1947	Chicago	Chicago	Oklahoma City		125	8-5	2.74					
44 Twitchell, Wayne	R	R	6-7	220	March 10, 1948	Portland, Oregon	Portland, Oregon	Houston		35	4-4	3.34					
46 Watkins, Bob	R	R	6-1	170	March 12, 1948	San Francisco	Compton, Calif.	Greensboro		120	9-6	2.33					
40 Wilson, Don	R	R	6-3	205	February 12, 1945	Monroe, La.	Houston	Dallas-Ft. Worth		102	6-5	2.74					
37 Womack, Dooley	L	R	6-0	169	August 25, 1939	Columbia, S.C.	Hackensack, N.J.	Oklahoma City		54	4-4	2.50					
CATCHERS	B	T	HT	WGT	BORN	BIRTHPLACE	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR	RBI	AVG.					
6 Bryant, Don	R	R	6-6	205	July 13, 1941	Jasper, Florida	Jacksonville, Fla.	Phoenix		35	1	.235					
7 Edwards, John	L	R	6-4	211	June 10, 1938	Columbus, Ohio	Cincinnati	St. Louis		55	3	.239					
55 Howard, Larry	R	R	6-3	200	June 6, 1945	Columbus, Ohio	Atwater, Calif.	Dallas-Ft. Worth		47	4	.244					
59 Izquierdo, Hank	R	R	5-11	170	March 20, 1931	Matanzas, Cuba	Miami	Oklahoma City		68	0	.255					
9 Jones, John	L	R	6-1	200	June 16, 1949	St. Joseph, Tenn.	St. Joseph, Tenn.	Geneva		15	0	.167					

27	Watson, Bob	R	R	6-2	205	April 10, 1946	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR RBI AVG.
									Port Orange, Fla.	Cocoa	99	.4 .52 .233
									Atlanta, Ga.	Pittsburgh	150	.17 .87 .257
									Ponce, P.R.	Houston	41	.1 .11 .248
									Wickenburg, Ariz.	Greensboro	97	.4 .36 .264
									Kansas City, Mo.	Atlanta	82	.0 .12 .330
									Detroit	Cocoa	66	.14 .48 .338
									Greensboro	Greensboro	52	.8 .29 .329
									Oklahoma City	Houston	20	.1 .5 .256
									Houston	Houston	0	.0 .000
20	McFadden, Leon	R	R	6-2	195	April 26, 1944	Little Rock, Ark.	Los Angeles	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR RBI AVG.
									Bancroft, Iowa	Houston	106	.1 .22 .243
									Bonham, Texas	Houston	13	.0 .1 .277
									Chicago	Houston	135	.6 .56 .249
									Lake City, Iowa	Houston	5	.0 .0 .250
									Monterrey, Mexico	Houston	89	.6 .43 .267
									Riviera Beach, Fla.	Dallas-Ft. Worth	66	.1 .26 .196
									Whittier, Calif.	Houston	104	.1 .24 .223
11	Menke, Denis	R	R	6-0	180	July 21, 1940	Harina, D.R.	San Francisco	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR RBI AVG.
18	Morgan, Joe	L	R	5-7	150	September 19, 1943	Nassau, Bahamas	Cocoa			110	.0 .39 .263
12	Rader, Doug	R	R	6-2	210	July 30, 1944	Baltimore	Baltimore			123	.3 .32 .261
16	Stanley, Fred	R	R	5-11	155	August 13, 1947	Murphysboro, Ill.	Tulsa			90	.15 .39 .200
15	Torres, Hector	R	R	6-0	175	September 16, 1945	El Seibo, D.R.	Ft. Lauderdale			116	.14 .50 .286
							El Seibo, D.R.	Oklahoma City			63	.1 .27 .194
							Portland, Oregon	Oklahoma City			102	.11 .53 .266
							Houston	Houston			30	.1 .10 .306
								Houston			61	.6 .28 .237
22	Aliou, Jesus	R	R	6-2	195	March 24, 1943	Harina, D.R.	Greensboro	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR RBI AVG.
29	Armbister, Ed	K	K	5-11	160	July 4, 1948	Nassau, Bahamas	Atlanta			65	.4 .34 .188
13	Blefary, Curt	L	R	6-2	195	July 5, 1943	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Richmond			20	.1 .1 .233
19	Geiger, Gary	L	R	6-0	168	April 4, 1937	Sand Ridge, Ill.	Dallas-Ft. Worth			66	.7 .25 .259
34	Geronimo, Cesar	L	L	6-2	164	March 11, 1948	El Seibo, D.R.	Oklahoma City			69	.9 .41 .247
56	Lampard, Keith	L	R	6-2	185	December 20, 1945	Warrington, Eng.	Houston			3	.0 .0 .300
21	Miller, Norm	L	R	5-11	195	February 5, 1946	Los Angeles	Houston			0	.0 .0 .000
								Houston			146	.26 .67 .269
28	Schlueter, Jay	R	R	6-0	182	July 31, 1949	Phoenix, Ariz.	Greensboro	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR RBI AVG.
53	Valdespino, Sandy	L	L	5-8	170	January 14, 1939	Havana	Atlanta			20	.1 .1 .233
26	Walton, Danny	R	R	6-0	185	July 14, 1947	LaPuente, Calif.	Richmond			66	.7 .25 .259
								Oklahoma City			69	.9 .41 .247
								Houston			3	.0 .0 .300
								Houston			0	.0 .0 .000
24	Wynn, Jim	R	R	5-9	170	March 12, 1942	Cincinnati	Houston	RESIDENCE	1968 CLUB	H	HR RBI AVG.

DAN SCHNEIDER (shh-nider)

58

PITCHER—Bats left. Throws left. Born August 29, 1942, in Evansville, Ind. Height 6-3. Weight 170. Married. Attended University of Arizona. Home: Tucson, Arizona.

1962—Signed by the Milwaukee Braves as a free agent.

1966—Acquired from the Braves along with infielder Lee Bales and pitcher Tom Dukes in exchange for catcher John Hoffman, infielder Ed Pacheco and outfielder Gene Ratliff.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Columbus (Int.)	48	0	0	71	7-2	66	54	25	3.42

Has become exclusively a relief pitcher . . . was Houston's busiest pitcher in 1967 . . . former all-America player and Arizona Athlete of the Year (1962, while pitching for the University of Arizona) . . . high school letterman in baseball and basketball . . . hobbies are sports and music.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963-64—Milwaukee (N.L.). 1966—Atlanta (N.L.). 1967—Houston (N.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
4 years	111	158.2	2-4	169	83	65	4.30

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Louisville (Amer. Assn.). 1963—Toronto (Int.). 1963-64—Denver (P.C.L.). 1965—Atlanta (Int.). 1966—Richmond (Int.). 1968—Toledo (Int.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
6 years	143	557	35-20	572	342	185	3.77

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1962	Louisville	AA	15	92	5-6	103	58	36	4.40
1963	Denver	PCL	5	34	2-1	38	25	10	4.24
1963	Toronto	Int.	6	34	2-2	24	23	13	3.44
1963	Milwaukee	N.L.	30	44	1-0	36	19	20	3.07
1964	Denver	PCL	8	37	3-0	52	18	13	4.62
1964	Milwaukee	N.L.	13	36	1-2	38	14	13	5.50
1965	Atlanta	Int.	43	184	10-7	194	88	51	3.03
1966	Richmond	Int.	18	105	6-2	95	76	37	2.91
1966	Atlanta	N.L.	14	26	0-0	35	11	5	3.46
1967	Houston	N.L.	54	53	0-2	60	39	27	4.92
1968	Toledo	Int.	48	71	7-2	66	54	25	3.42

STEVE SHEA

42

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Dec. 5, 1942, at Worcester, Mass. Height 6-4. Weight 210. Married. Home: Amherst, Mass.

1962—Signed as free agent by Chicago (N.L.).

1964—Released, May 18.

1965—Signed by Houston for 1966 season, August.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Oklahoma City (PCL)	18	18	6	125	8-5	119	94	49	2.74
Houston (NL)	30	0	0	34.2	4-4	27	15	11	3.34

Impressive bullpenner last summer after reporting from Oklahoma City in July . . . led Houston staff with six saves, in addition to his four wins . . . did all his major league pitching in relief after starting each time out at Oklahoma City . . . has overall 24-21 record since joining Houston organization.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Palatka (Fla. State) and Newton-Conover (W. Carolinas).

1963-64—St. Cloud (Northern). 1966—Cocoa (Fla. State). 1967—Amarillo (Texas). 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
6 years	175	488	26-28	478	395	193	3.52

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1962	Palatka	Fla. State	8	21	0-0	28	18	5	4.29
1962	Newton-Conover	W. Carol.	24	79	1-7	96	61	39	5.58
1963	St. Cloud	Northern	26	58	0-1	79	27	33	6.83
1964	St. Cloud	Northern	5	11	0-3	9	11	2	3.27
1965	(Not in pro baseball)								
1966	Cocoa	Fla. State	46	106	12-5	71	107	43	1.78
1967	Amarillo	Texas	48	88	5-7	76	77	22	2.56
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	18	125	8-5	119	94	49	2.74
1968	Houston	N.L.	30	35	4-4	27	15	11	3.34

SCIPIO SPINKS

39

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 12, 1947, at Chicago, Ill. Height 6-1. Weight 185. Single. Home: Chicago, Ill.

1966—Signed as free agent by Houston.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Greenville (Carolina)	29	15	5	120	9-6	83	139	76	2.33

Youngster with good arm . . . has excellent hits-to-innings ratio . . . has averaged more than a strikeout per inning during his three-year pro career.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966—Bismarck (Northern). 1967—Cocoa (Fla. State) and Amarillo (Texas). 1968—Greensboro (Carolina).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
3 years	75	290	15-19	184	328	197	2.30

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1966	Bismarck	Northern	15	39	1-1	17	52	26	2.54
1967	Cocoa	Fla. State	30	125	5-11	78	135	90	2.09
1967	Amarillo	Texas	1	6	0-1	6	2	5	4.50
1968	Greensboro	Carolina	29	120	9-6	83	139	76	2.33

FRED STANLEY

16

INFILDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Aug. 13, 1947, at Lake City, Iowa. Height 5-11. Weight 155. Married. Home: Whittier, Calif.

1966—Signed by Houston as free agent.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Dallas-FW (Texas)	106	337	66	8	4	1	26	6	.196

Regarded as a well-above-average defensive player . . . has good range and good hands.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966—Salisbury (W. Carolinas) and Bismarck (Northern). 1967—Covington (Appalachian). 1968—Dallas-FW (Texas).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
3 years	170	557	120	11	5	1	34	14	.215

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1966	Salisbury	W. Caro.	52	174	42	3	1	0	8	7	.241
1966	Bismarck	Northern	12	46	12	0	0	0	0	1	.261
1967	Covington	Appal.									
1968	Dallas-FW	Texas	106	337	66	8	4	1	26	6	.196

HECTOR TORRES (TORE-es)

15

SHORTSTOP—Bats right. Throws right. Born Sept. 16, 1945, at Monterrey, N.L., Mexico. Height 6-0. Weight 175. Married. Home: Monterrey, Mexico. Attended Instituto Laurens at Monterrey.

1962—Signed as free agent by San Francisco Giants.

1966—Acquired by Seattle (California Angels) in exchange for Dave Marshall.

1967—Acquired by Astros to complete deal that sent pitcher Jim Weaver to California Angels in mid-season 1967.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Houston (N.L.)	128	466	104	11	1	1	24	2	.223

TORRES (Continued)

Was Houston's regular shortstop most of season . . . named to Topps' all-rookie team for 1968 . . . outstanding glove man who had fabulous Little League record . . . at age of 12, he pitched Monterrey to LL's world championship on one-hitter against Hawaii and (after only two days' rest) two-hitter against Kankakee, Ill. . . . in 1960, played for Monterrey Colt League team that finished third in the Colt World Series . . . son of Epitacio (La Mala) Torres, who is a former player and Manager in Mexico . . . Hector's younger brother, Ricardo, was obtained from Monterrey for Houston's AAA affiliate at Oklahoma City during the off season . . . Hector is nicknamed "La Malita."

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Decatur (Midwest). 1963-64—Fresno (California). 1965—Springfield (Eastern) and Decatur (Midwest). 1966-67—Seattle (P.C.L.).

6 years	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
	688	2367	511	66	20	37	239	15	.221

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1962	Decatur	Midwest	96	304	58	6	3	3	33	1	.191
1963	Fresno	Calif.	104	343	62	11	2	4	38	2	.181
1964	Fresno	Calif.	139	511	114	16	4	18	60	4	.223
1965	Springfld.	Eastern	44	150	28	4	1	2	10	0	.187
1965	Decatur	Midwest	64	241	62	6	0	5	35	3	.257
1966	Seattle	P.C.L.	102	346	86	9	3	3	24	1	.249
1967	Seattle	P.C.L.	139	472	101	14	7	2	39	4	.214
1968	Houston	N.L.	128	466	104	11	1	1	24	2	.223

WAYNE TWITCHELL

44

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born March 10, 1948, at Portland, Oregon. Height 6-7. Weight 220. Single. Home: Portland, Oregon.

1966—Signed as free agent by Houston, June.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Greensboro (Carolina)	19	15	3	102	6-5	68	115	48	2.74
Dallas-FW (Texas)	8	8	3	54	4-4	48	47	34	2.50

Gained much more pitching poise in his first full pro season . . . missed part of 1967 with broken hand . . . has an exceptional fast ball . . . very low hits-to-innings ratio and better than a strikeout per inning . . . all-state in baseball and football, all-city in basketball at Wilson (Portland) High . . . offered 25 college scholarships, was bound for Oregon State when signed by Astros . . . making excellent progress in his pro career.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966—Bismarck (Northern) and Oklahoma City (P.C.L.). 1967—Asheville (Carolina). 1968—Greensboro (Carolina) and Dallas-FW (Texas).

3 years	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
	59	292	16-16	234	309	154	2.72

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1966	Bismarck	Northern	13	64	4-1	48	77	21	1.41
1966	Oklahoma City	PCL	3	5	0-2	10	5	9	10.80
1967	Asheville	Carolina	16	67	2-4	60	65	42	3.49
1968	Greensboro	Carolina	19	102	6-5	68	115	48	2.74
1968	Dallas-FW	Texas	8	54	4-4	48	47	34	2.50

Houston has had only three games postponed because of rain since its entrance into the National League in 1962. All occurred during that first season: April 23 vs. Philadelphia, June 13 vs. New York and July 16 vs. Chicago.

SANDY VALDESPINO (val-des-PEA-no) 53

OUTFIELDER—Bats left. Throws left. Born Jan. 14, 1939, at San Jose de las Lajas, Havana, Cuba. Height 5-8. Weight 170. Married. Home: Miami, Fla. 1956—Signed as free agent by Washington (now Minnesota). 1967—Drafted by Atlanta from Denver (P.C.L.), November. 1968—Traded by Richmond to Oklahoma City for Paul Doyle.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Atlanta (NL)	36	86	20	1	0	1	1	0	.233
Richmond (Int.)	74	255	66	12	2	7	25	2	.259

Veteran outfielder who led International League in hits (179) and average (.337) in 1964 . . . hit .273 for Minnesota in 1965 World Series.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1957—Midland-Lamesa (Southwest). 1958—Appleton (III) and Missoula (Pioneer). 1959—Charlotte (Sally). 1960—Charleston (A.A.). 1961—Syracuse (Int.) and Indianapolis (A.A.). 1962—Vancouver (P.C.L.) and Dallas-FW (A.A.). 1963—Dallas-FW (P.C.L.). 1964—Atlanta (Int.). 1966—Denver (P.C.L.). 1968—Richmond (Int.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
10 years	1084	3839	1092	194	64	99	508	79	.284

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965-66-67—Minnesota (A.L.). 1968—Atlanta (N.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
4 years	295	536	119	12	3	5	35	7	.222

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1957	Mid-Lamesa	Southwest	94	352	104	17	12	11	72	4	.295
1958	Appleton	III	34	112	16	5	1	4	18	1	.143
1958	Missoula	Pioneer	87	353	110	17	5	15	55	22	.312
1959	Charlotte	Sally	129	485	131	15	10	10	61	11	.270
1960	Charleston	AA	152	591	158	31	10	11	67	10	.267
1961	Syracuse	Int.	51	135	32	6	1	0	8	2	.237
1961	Indianapolis	AA	28	86	26	8	1	4	20	0	.302
1962	Vancouver	PCL	21	56	10	4	0	0	3	0	.179
1962	Dallas-FW	AA	81	241	67	17	3	5	23	2	.278
1963	Dallas-FW	PCL	114	349	99	14	7	8	44	5	.284
1964	Atlanta	Int.	147	531	179	27	8	16	73	16	.337
1965	Minnesota	AL	108	245	64	8	2	1	22	7	.261
1966	Minnesota	AL	52	108	19	1	1	2	9	2	.176
1966	Denver	PCL	72	293	94	21	4	8	39	4	.321
1967	Minnesota	AL	99	97	16	2	0	1	3	3	.165
1968	Atlanta	NL	36	86	20	1	0	1	1	0	.233
1968	Richmond	Int.	74	255	66	12	2	7	25	2	.259

DANNY WALTON

26

OUTFIELDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born July 14, 1947, at Los Angeles, Calif. Height 6-0. Weight 185. Married. Home: LaPuente, Calif.

1965—Signed as free agent.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
Dallas-FW (Texas)	78	279	69	7	4	9	41	1	.247
Okl. City (P.C.L.)	6	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	.300
Houston (N.L.)	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

Aggressive, colorful outfielder who missed much of the 1968 season with early elbow injury and a resulting operation . . . named to Class A All-Eastern team by Tops in 1967 . . . lacks only one hit of eachy averaging a hit per game during his pro career . . . saw one weekend's pinch-hit action with Houston last season.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965—Cocoa (Fla. State). 1966—Salisbury (W. Carolina) and Amarillo (Texas). 1967—Asheville (Carolina). 1968—Dallas-FW (Texas) and Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
4 years	340	1188	341	49	12	54	201	21	.287

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	Avg.
1965	Cocoa	Fla. St.	14	30	6	1	0	0	2	1	.200
1966	Salisbury	W. Carol.	111	425	136	26	5	20	80	11	.320
1966	Amarillo	Texas	11	33	3	1	0	0	0	0	.091
1967	Asheville	Carolina	120	411	124	14	3	25	78	8	.302
1968	Dallas-FW	Texas	78	279	69	7	4	9	41	1	.247
1968	Okl. City	P.C.L.	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	.300
1968	Houston	N.L.	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

BOB WATKINS

46

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born March 12, 1948, at San Francisco, Calif. Height 6-1. Weight 170. Single. Home: Compton, Calif.

1966—Signed as free agent by Houston.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
Dallas-FW (Texas)	19	19	6	116	8-6	79	134	72	2.72
Oklahoma City (PCL)	12	9	1	50	2-6	49	52	47	6.30

Had exceptional year in Texas League before advancing to Oklahoma City . . . pitched no-hitter vs. Memphis, May 24 . . . had 15 strikeouts vs. El Paso, May 11 . . . has major league pitches (fast ball, curve, slider) . . . lacks control . . . good hitter . . . very fine hits-to-innings ratio and more than a strikeout per inning.

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966—Bismarck (Northern). 1967—Cocoa (Fla. State) and Asheville (Carolina). 1968—Dallas-FW (Texas) and Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
3 years	81	396	19-31	287	421	316	3.77

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1966	Bismarck	Northern	16	55	0-5	51	63	47	4.42
1967	Cocoa	Fla. State	22	109	6-9	57	103	101	3.14
1967	Asheville	Carolina	12	66	3-5	51	69	49	4.23
1968	Dallas-FW	Texas	19	116	8-6	79	134	72	2.72
1968	Oklahoma City	P.C.L.	12	50	2-6	49	52	47	6.30

BOB WATSON

27

CATCHER-OUTFIELDER-FIRST BASEMAN—Bats right. Throws right. Born April 10, 1946, at Los Angeles, Calif. Height 6-2. Weight 205. Married. Home: Los Angeles, Calif.

1965—Signed as free agent, Jan. 31.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Oklahoma City (PCL)	17	65	27	7	2	5	12	0	.415
Houston (NL)	45	140	32	7	0	2	8	1	.229

Broke ankle last July 31 and sat out rest of 1968 season . . . was playing regularly in Astro outfield before the injury . . . started career as catcher, has played first base and outfield in recent seasons . . . career has been slowed by injuries . . . played briefly last winter with Estrellas of Dominican Republic League . . . named to Class AA All-West team as first baseman with Amarillo in '67 . . . has good power . . . graduate of Fremont (Los Angeles) High, which has produced several major leaguers . . . nicknamed "Bull."

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
3 years	52	155	35	7	0	3	10	1	.226

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965—Salisbury (W. Carolina). 1966—Cocoa (Fla. State). 1967—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.) and Amarillo (Texas). 1968—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
4 years	339	1121	357	66	20	46	197	16	.318

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1965	Salisbury	W. Carol.	80	209	88	20	3	12	55	8	.421
1966	Cocoa	Fla. State	105	348	105	21	8	10	55	2	.302
1966	Houston	N.L.	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
1967	Okl. City	P.C.L.	41	148	39	4	2	5	15	0	.264
1967	Amarillo	Texas	96	351	98	14	5	14	60	6	.279
1967	Houston	N.L.	6	14	3	0	0	1	2	0	.214
1968	Okl. City	P.C.L.	17	65	27	7	2	5	12	0	.415
1968	Houston	N.L.	45	140	32	7	0	2	8	1	.229

DON WILSON

40

PITCHER—Bats right. Throws right. Born Feb. 12, 1945, at Monroe, La. Height 6-3. Weight 205. Married Bernise Greene, Oct. 31, 1964. Home: Houston. Attended Compton Junior College.

1964—Signed as free agent by Houston.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA	
Houston (NL)		33	30	9	208.2	13-16	187	175	70	3.27

Tied two major league strikeout records vs. Cincinnati, July 14, 1968 (second game): most in a 9-inning game (18) and most consecutive (8) . . . Houston's winningest pitcher last year (13) . . . off to a slow start in '68, he began a "second season" on June 29, going 9-7 the rest of the way and lowering his ERA from 4.61 to final 3.27 . . . pitched three shutouts . . . authored no-hit, no-run game vs. Atlanta on June 18, 1967 (Father's Day), striking out 15, walking 3 . . . had 16-strikeout performance in another '68 start vs. Cincinnati . . . was Texas League's 1966 pitcher of the year . . . signed following outstanding record at Centennial High.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
3 years	65	398.2	24-25	333	341	140	3.05

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1965—Cocoa (Fla. State). 1966—Amarillo (Texas).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
2 years	55	368	28-14	282	365	114	1.83

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1965	Cocoa	Fla. State	26	181	10-8	132	168	46	1.44
1966	Amarillo	Texas	29	187	18-6	150	197	66	2.21
1966	Houston	N.L.	1	6	1-0	5	7	1	3.00
1967	Houston	N.L.	31	184	10-9	141	159	69	2.79
1968	Houston	N.L.	33	209	13-16	187	175	70	3.27

DOOLEY WOMACK

37

PITCHER—Bats left. Throws right. Born Aug. 25, 1939, at Columbia, S.C. Height 6-0. Weight 169. Married. Home: Hackensack, N.J.

1958—Signed as free agent by New York (A.L.).

1968—Traded to Houston for Dick Simpson, Dec. 4.

1968 RECORD

	C	GS	CG	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
New York (AL)		45	0	0	62	3-7	53	27	3.19

Outstanding relief pitcher for Yankees in 1966 and 1967 . . . his 2.17 ERA led International League in 1965 . . . brother Alfred is former minor league pitcher; brother Larry is in Yankee organization.

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1966-67-68—New York (A.L.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
3 years	152	234	15-16	185	134	87	2.69

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1958—St. Petersburg (Fla. St.). 1959—Fargo-Moorhead (Northern).

1960—Greensboro (Carolina). 1961—Binghamton (Eastern) and Greensboro (Carolina). 1962-63—Augusta (Sally). 1964—Columbus (Southern). 1965—Toledo (Int.).

	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
8 years	265	910	57-45	837	585	336	3.20

WOMACK (Continued)

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	IP	W-L	H	SO	BB	ERA
1958	St. Peters	Fla. St.	11	68	6-3	52	42	32	2.39
1959	Fargo-M'Head	Northern	31	172	13-9	175	129	80	4.50
1960	Greensboro	Carolina	22	92	5-6	99	58	29	4.12
1961	Binghamton	Eastern	5	12	0-1	8	4	5	0.75
1961	Greensboro	Carolina	27	87	7-5	107	56	42	4.47
1962	Augusta	Sally	45	102	3-2	84	70	37	1.94
1963	Augusta	Sally	41	108	3-8	106	57	27	3.75
1964	Columbus	Southern	50	124	10-7	96	96	43	2.32
1965	Toledo	I.L.	34	145	10-4	110	73	41	2.17
1966	New York	A.L.	42	75	7-3	52	50	23	2.64
1967	New York	A.L.	65	97	5-6	80	57	35	2.41
1968	New York	A.L.	45	62	3-7	53	27	29	3.19

JIM WYNN

24

OUTFIELDER—Bats right. Throws right. Born March 12, 1942, at Hamilton, Ohio. Height 5-9. Weight 170. Married Ruth Mixon, December 20, 1963. One daughter, Kimberly DaNell, and one son, Jim, Jr. Home: Houston. Attended Central State College.

1962—Signed with Cincinnati, played first pro season at Tampa (Florida State).

1962—Drafted by Houston from San Diego (Pacific Coast), November 26.

1968 RECORD

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
Houston (N.L.)	156	542	146	23	5	26	67	11	.269

Led 1968 Astros in homers (26), total bases (257), runs (85) and walks (90) . . . runner-up in total hits (146) and triples (5), tied for second in doubles (23) . . . hiked his batting average 20 points to .269 . . . had team's longest 1968 hitting streak (16 games) . . . set all-time club outfield records for most assists (20) and most double plays (8) . . . has 112 career home runs to lead Houston . . . broke nine major club batting records during his great 1967 season . . . holds Astro record of three homers in a game (vs. Giants in the Astrodome) . . . was radio sportscaster during the off season . . . nicknamed "The Toy Cannon."

MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD

1963-64-65-66-67-68—Houston (N.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
6 years	713	2587	666	120	21	112	354	92	.257

MINOR LEAGUE RECORD

1962—Tampa (Florida State). 1963—San Antonio (Texas). 1964—Oklahoma City (P.C.L.).

	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
3 years	280	984	280	34	21	40	170	40	.284

COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL RECORD

YEAR	CLUB	LEAGUE	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG.
1962	Tampa	Fla. St.	120	400	116	10	5	14	81	20	.290
1963	San Antonio	Texas	78	302	87	15	11	16	49	7	.288
1963	Houston	N.L.	70	250	61	10	5	4	28	4	.244
1964	Okl. City	PCL	82	282	77	9	5	10	40	13	.273
1964	Houston	N.L.	67	219	49	7	0	5	17	5	.224
1965	Houston	N.L.	157	564	155	30	7	22	73	43	.275
1966	Houston	N.L.	105	418	107	21	1	18	62	13	.256
1967	Houston	N.L.	158	594	148	29	3	37	107	16	.249
1968	Houston	N.L.	156	542	146	23	5	26	67	11	.269

The first official National League home run hit in the Astrodome was by Richie Allen of the Philadelphia Phillies on April 12, 1965. It was hit off Astros' pitcher Bob Bruce in the third inning with one man on base. It was not until April 24th that a Houston player hit a home run in the Astrodome in league play. Bob Aspromonte connected off Vernon Law of the Pittsburgh Pirates in the sixth inning with one man on base.

HOUSTON 1968 AVERAGES

BATTING

Player	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SB	BB	SO	Avg.
Adlesh	40	104	3	19	1	1	0	4	0	5	27	.183
Aspromonte	124	409	25	92	9	2	1	46	1	35	57	.225
Bateman	111	350	28	88	19	0	4	33	1	23	46	.249
Brand	43	81	7	13	2	0	0	4	1	9	11	.160
Browne	10	13	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	6	.231
Colbert	20	53	5	8	1	0	0	4	1	1	23	.151
Davis	52	217	22	46	10	1	1	12	0	13	48	.212
Gotay	75	165	9	41	3	0	1	11	1	4	21	.248
Herrera	27	100	9	24	5	0	0	7	0	4	12	.240
King	27	55	4	8	2	1	0	2	0	7	16	.145
Mayberry	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	.000
McFadden	16	47	2	13	1	0	0	1	1	6	10	.277
Menke	150	542	56	135	23	6	6	56	5	64	81	.249
Miller	79	257	35	61	18	2	6	28	6	22	48	.237
Morgan	10	20	6	5	0	1	0	0	3	7	4	.250
Murrell	32	59	3	6	1	1	0	3	0	1	17	.102
Rader	98	333	42	89	16	4	6	43	2	31	51	.267
Simpson	59	177	25	33	7	2	3	11	4	19	61	.186
Staub	161	591	54	172	37	1	6	72	2	73	57	.291
Thomas	90	201	14	39	4	0	1	11	2	14	22	.194
Torres	128	466	44	104	11	1	1	24	2	18	64	.223
Walton	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Watson	45	140	13	32	7	0	2	8	1	13	32	.229
Wynn	156	542	85	146	23	5	26	67	11	90	131	.269
TOTALS	162	5336	510	1233	205	28	66	473	44	479	988	.231

PITCHING

Player	G	W-L	IP	H	ER	BB	SO	HR	SVS	ERA
Blasingame	22	1-2	36	45	19	10	22	3	0	4.75
Buzhardt	39	4-4	83.2	73	29	35	37	0	4	3.11
Coombs	40	4-3	46.2	52	17	17	29	0	1	3.26
Cuellar	28	8-11	170.2	152	52	45	133	8	0	2.74
Dierker	32	12-15	233.2	206	86	89	161	14	0	3.31
Dukes	43	2-2	52.2	62	25	28	37	3	3	4.25
Gilson	2	0-0	3-2	7	3	1	1	0	0	7.36
Giusti	37	11-14	251	226	89	67	186	15	1	3.19
Gladding	7	0-0	4.1	8	7	3	2	0	1	15.75
House	18	1-1	16.1	21	14	6	6	0	0	7.88
Lemaster	33	10-15	224	231	70	72	146	11	0	2.81
Ray	41	2-3	81	65	24	25	71	5	1	2.67
Shea	30	4-4	34.2	27	13	11	15	0	6	3.34
Wilson	33	13-16	208.2	187	76	70	175	9	0	3.27
TOTALS	162	72-90	1447	1362	524	479	1021	68	17	3.26

W-L	72-90	Longest Win Streak	6
Home	42-39	Longest Lose Streak	7
Road	30-51	Longest Hit Streak	16—Wynn
Night	52-51	Most Runs — Game	16—8/10—Pitts.
Day	20-39	Most Runs — Inning	7—8/19—L.A.
HR's	66-68	Most Hits — Game	19—8/10—Pitts.
DP's	128-166	Longest Game — Time	6:06—4/15—N.Y.
SB's	44-107	Longest Game — Inn	24—4/15—N.Y.
1-Run	28-30	Shortest Game — Time	1:41—9/17—Atlanta
X-Inn	6-7		
CG's	50-44	1968 ATTENDANCE:	
DH's	3-4-5	Home—81 Dates	1,312,887
Vs. RHP	49-69	Road—69 Dates	877,039
Vs. LHP	23-21	TOTAL—150 DATES	2,189,926
Shutouts	12-18		

ALL-TIME HOUSTON ROSTER

Includes all players who have participated in one or more official National League games, 1962 through 1968. Total number of players: 144.

—A—

Adlesh, Dave—1963-64-65-
66-67-68
Amalfitano, Joe—1962
Anderson, John—1962
Arlich, Don—1965-66
Aspromonte, Bob—1962-63-
64-65-66-67-68

—B—

Bales, Lee—1967
Bateman, John—1963-64-
65-66-67-68
Beauchamp, Jim—1964-65
Belinsky, Bo—1967
Blasingame, Wade—1967-68
Bond, Walt—1964-65
Bradey, Don—1964
Brand, Ron—1965-66-67-68
Brandt, Jackie—1967
Brown, Hal—1963-64
Browne, Byron—1968
Browne, Pidge—1962
Bruce, Bob—1962-63-64-65-66
Brunet, George—1962-63
Buddin, Don—1962
Busby, Jim—1962
Buzhardt, John—1967-68

—C—

Campbell, Jim—1962-63
Cardinal, Randy—1963
Carpin, Frank—1966
Cerv, Bob—1962
Cicotte, Al—1962
Colbert, Nate—1966-68
Coombs, Danny—1963-64-
65-66-67-68
Cuellar, Mike—1965-66-67-68

—D—

Dahl, Jay—1963
Davis, Brock—1963-64-66
Davis, Ron—1962-66-67-68
Dickson, Jim—1963
Dierker, Larry—1964-65-66-
67-68
Drott, Dick—1962-63
Dukes, Tom—1967-68

—E—

Earley, Arnold—1967
Eilers, Dave—1967

—F—

Farrell, Dick—1962-63-64-
65-66-67
Fazio, Ernie—1962-63
Fox, Nellie—1964-65
Freese, Gene—1966

—G—

Gaines, Joe—1964-65-66
Gentile, Jim—1965-66
Gernert, Dick—1962
Gilson, Hal—1968
Giusti, Dave—1962-64-65-66-
67-68
Gladding, Fred—1968
Golden, Jim—1962-63
Goodman, Billy—1962
Goss, Howie—1963
Gotay, Julio—1966-67-68
Grote, Jerry—1963-64

—H—

Hardy, Carroll—1963-64
Harris, Alonzo—1967
Harrison, Chuck—1965-66-67
Hartman, J. C.—1962-63
Heath, Bill—1966-67
Heist, Al—1962
Herrera, Jose—1967-68
Hertz, Steve—1964
Hoerner, Joe—1963-64
Hoffman, John—1964-65
House, Pat—1967-68

—J—

Jackson, Sonny—1963-64-
65-66-67
Johnson, Ken—1962-63-64-65
Jones, Gordon—1964-65

—K—

Kasko, Eddie—1964-65
Kemmerer, Russ—1962-63
King, Hal—1967-68
Kroll, Gary—1966

—L—

Lamabe, Jack—1965
Landis, Jim—1967
Larker, Norm—1962
Larsen, Don—1964-65
Latman, Barry—1966-67
Lee, Don—1965-66
Lemaster, Denny—1968
Lillis, Bob—1962-63-64-65-
66-67

—M—

MacKenzie, Ken—1965
Mahoney, Jim—1965
Mantilla, Felix—1966
Mathews, Eddie—1967
Mayberry, John—1968
Maye, Lee—1965-66
McFadden, Leon—1968
McMahon, Don—1962-63
Mejias, Roman—1962

ALL-TIME HOUSTON ROSTER

(Continued)

Menke, Denis—1968
 Miller, Norm—1965-66-67-68
 Monteagudo, Aurielo—1966
 Morgan, Joe—1963-64-65-66-
 67-68
 Murrell, Ivan—1963-64-
 67-68

—N—

Nicholson, Dave—1966
 Nottebart, Don—1963-64-65
 —O—
 Owens, Jim—1964-65-66-67

—P—

Paciorek, John—1963
 Pendleton, Jim—1962
 Pointer, Aaron—1963-66-67

—R—

Rader, Doug—1967-68
 Ranew, Merritt—1962
 Ratliff, Gene—1965
 Ray, Jim—1965-66-68
 Raymond, Claude—1964-65-
 66-67
 Reed, Howie—1967
 Roberts, Dave—1962-64
 Roberts, Robin—1965-66
 Runnels, Pete—1963-64

—S—

Schneider, Dan—1967
 Sembera, Carroll—1965-66-
 67
 Shantz, Bobby—1962
 Shea, Steve—1968
 Sherry, Larry—1967
 Simpson, Dick—1968
 Sims, Greg—1966
 Smith, Hal—1962-63

Spangler, Al—1962-63-64-65
 Staub, Rusty—1963-64-65-
 66-67-68
 Stone, Dean—1962
 —T—
 Taussig, Don—1962
 Taylor, Ron—1965-66
 Temple, Johnny—1962-63
 Thomas, Frank—1965
 Thomas, Lee—1968
 Tiefenauer, Bob—1962
 Torres, Hector—1968
 Triandos, Gus—1965

—U—
 Umbricht, Jim—1962-63

—V—
 Vaughan, Glenn—1963
 Von Hoff, Bruce—1965-67

—W—
 Walton, Danny—1968
 Warwick, Carl—1962-63
 Watson, Bob—1966-67-68
 Weekly, Johnny—1962-63-64
 White, Mike—1963-64-65
 Williams, George—1962
 Williams, Walt—1964
 Wilson, Don—1966-67-68
 Witt, George—1962
 Woodeshick, Hal—1962-63-
 64-65
 Wynn, Jim—1963-64-65-66-
 67-68

—Y—
 Yellen, Larry—1963-64

—Z—
 Zachary, Chris—1963-64-65-
 66-67

Houston All Star Game Selections

BATTING

	AB	H	AVG.
*Joe Morgan—1966	—	—	—
Rusty Staub—1967-68	2	1	.500
Jim Wynn—1967	1	1	1.000

*Voted as starting second baseman—did not play because of injury.

PITCHING

	IP	W-L	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
Mike Cuellar—1967	2	0-0	1	0	0	2	0	0.00
Dick Farrell—1962-64-65	4	0-0	5	4	4	2	3	9.00
Claude Raymond—1966	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Hal Woodeshick—1963	2	0-0	1	0	0	3	1	0.00

HOUSTON DAY-BY-DAY RECORD—1968

Date	Game Number	vs.	W-L	Standing	GB	Daily Home Attend.	Total Home Attend.	Home Date No.
APRIL								
10	1	Pitt	1-0	T-1	—	21,320	21,320	1
11	2	Phil	2-0	1	—	11,972	33,292	2
12	3	Phil	3-0	1	—	16,415	49,707	3
13	4	Phil	4-0	1	—	12,677	62,384	4
14	5	NY	4-1	1	—	15,290	77,674	5
15	6	NY	5-1	1	—	14,219	91,893	6
17	7	Pitt	5-2	1	—			
19	8	Phil	5-3	T-2	1/2			
20	9	Phil	5-4	T-3	1			
21	10	Phil	5-5	T-6	1 1/2			
23	11	NY	5-6	T-7	2 1/2			
26	12	Chi	5-7	9	4			
27	13	Chi	6-7	T-7	4			
28	14	Chi	6-8	8	5			
28	15	Chi	6-9	T-9	5 1/2			
29	16	Cin	6-10	10	5 1/2	10,509	102,402	7
30	17	Cin	7-10	10	5 1/2	7,870	110,272	8
MAY								
1	18	StL	7-11	10	6 1/2	14,726	124,998	9
2	19	StL	8-11	10	5 1/2	11,436	136,434	10
3	20	Atl	9-11	T-7	4 1/2	13,658	150,092	11
4	21	Atl	9-12	T-9	5 1/2	25,888	175,980	12
5	22	Atl	9-13	10	5 1/2	13,685	189,665	13
6	23	SF	10-13	9	5 1/2	10,142	199,807	14
7	24	SF	11-13	T-8	4 1/2	13,685	213,492	15
8	25	SF	11-14	9	5 1/2	14,053	227,545	16
9	26	SF	12-14	T-8	5	12,638	240,183	17
11	27	StL	12-15	9	6			
12	28	StL	13-15	9	5			
14	29	SF	13-16	T-9	6			
15	30	SF	13-17	T-9	7			
16	31	SF	13-18	10	7			
17	32	LA	13-19	10	7			
18	33	LA	13-20	10	7			
19	34	LA	14-20	10	6			
19	35	LA	15-20	T-9	5 1/2			
20	36	Cin	15-21	10	6 1/2			
21	37	Cin	16-21	9	5 1/2			
22	38	Cin	17-21	T-8	4 1/2			
24	39	LA	17-22	T-9	5	20,282	260,465	18
25	40	LA	18-22	T-9	5	25,298	285,763	19
26	41	LA	18-23	T-9	5	21,493	307,256	20
27	42	LA	19-23	9	4 1/2	12,737	319,993	21
28	43	Atl	19-24	T-9	5 1/2			
30	44	Atl	20-24	9	5			
31	45	Chi	21-24	8	4	21,032	341,025	22
JUNE								
1	46	Chi	21-25	8	4	19,865	360,890	23
2	47	Chi	21-26	8	5 1/2	14,952	375,842	24
3	48	StL	21-27	8	6 1/2	17,970	393,812	25
4	49	StL	21-28	9	7 1/2	18,867	412,679	26
5	50	StL	21-29	9	8 1/2	18,475	431,154	27
6	51	StL	21-30	9	9 1/2	15,218	446,372	28
7	52	Pitt	21-31	10	9 1/2	14,578	460,950	29
8	53	Pitt	22-31	9	9 1/2	21,447	482,397	30
9	54	Pitt	22-32	10	10	12,862	495,259	31
11	55	Phil	23-32	10	10 1/2			
13	56	Phil	23-33	10	11			
14	57	Pitt	23-34	10	11			

HOUSTON DAY-BY-DAY RECORD—1968 (Continued)

JUNE

15	58	Pitt	23-35	10	12			
16	59	Pitt	23-36	10	13			
16	60	Pitt	23-37	10	13½			
17	61	Pitt	23-38	10	14			
18	62	NY	24-38	10	14			
18	63	NY	25-38	10	13½			
19	64	NY	25-39	10	14½			
20	65	NY	25-40	10	15½			
21	66	Phil	26-40	10	15½	19,274	514,533	32
22	67	Phil	26-41	10	16½	21,015	535,548	33
23	68	Phil	27-41	10	16	15,876	551,424	34
24	69	Chi	28-41	10	15	13,471	564,895	35
25	70	Chi	29-41	10	14½	13,474	578,369	36
26	71	Chi	30-41	10	14	13,734	592,103	37
27	72	NY	30-42	10	14½	12,470	604,573	38
28	73	NY	31-42	10	14½	15,370	619,943	39
29	74	NY	32-42	10	13½	20,386	640,329	40
30	75	NY	32-43	10	13½	16,578	656,907	41

JULY

1	76	Cin	32-44	10	14½	12,252	669,159	42
2	77	Cin	33-44	10	14½	13,707	682,866	43
3	78	Cin	33-45	10	15½	15,133	697,999	44
4	79	Cin	33-46	10	16½	22,827	720,826	45
5	80	Atl	34-46	10	16½			
6	81	Atl	34-47	10	17½			
6	82	Atl	34-48	10	18			
7	83	Atl	35-48	10	18			
11	84	StL	36-48	10	17			
11	85	StL	36-49	10	18			
12	86	StL	36-50	10	19			
13	87	StL	36-51	10	20			
14	88	Cin	37-51	10	20			
14	89	Cin	38-51	10	19½			
16	90	Atl	38-52	10	21	22,313	743,139	46
17	91	Atl	39-52	10	20½	19,929	763,068	47
18	92	Atl	39-53	10	20½	19,820	782,888	48
19	93	SF	40-53	10	19½			
20	94	SF	40-54	10	20½			
21	95	SF	41-54	10	19½			
21	96	SF	41-55	10	20½			
22	97	LA	42-55	10	20½			
23	98	LA	42-56	10	21½			
24	99	LA	43-56	10	21½			
26	100	SF	44-56	10	21	27,369	810,257	49
27	101	SF	44-57	10	22½	37,330	847,587	50
28	102	SF	44-58	10	22½	33,241	880,828	51
29	103	LA	45-58	T-9	22½	16,757	897,585	52
30	104	LA	45-59	10	23½	16,702	914,287	53
31	105	Chi	45-60	10	24½			

AUGUST

1	106	Chi	45-61	10	25½			
2	107	Phil	46-61	10	24½	12,957	927,244	54
3	108	Phil	46-62	10	24½	19,185	946,429	55
4	109	Phil	46-63	10	24½	15,003	961,432	56
5	110	NY	47-63	10	24½	14,559	975,991	57
6	111	NY	47-64	10	24½	13,298	989,289	58
7	112	NY	48-64	10	24½	14,524	1,003,813	59
8	113	Pitt	48-65	10	25½	14,851	1,018,664	60
9	114	Pitt	49-65	10	26	15,270	1,033,934	61
10	115	Pitt	50-65	10	25	12,814	1,046,748	62
10	116	Pitt	50-66	10	26	25,814	1,072,562	63
11	117	Pitt	51-66	10	25	16,892	1,089,454	64

HOUSTON DAY-BY-DAY RECORD—1968

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AUGUST

13	118	Phil	52-66	10	24				
13	119	Phil	52-67	10	24				
14	120	Phil	52-68	10	25				
15	121	Phil	53-68	20	25				
15	121	Phil	53-68	10	25				
17	123	NY	55-68	9	23				
18	124	NY	55-69	9	24				
18	125	NY	56-69	9	23½				
19	126	LA	57-69	8	23½	20,347	1,109,801	65	
20	127	LA	58-69	8	22½	19,534	1,129,335	66	
21	128	LA	59-69	7	22½	16,780	1,146,115	67	
23	129	Chi	60-69	7	22	16,714	1,162,829	68	
24	130	Chi	61-69	7	21	29,548	1,192,377	69	
25	131	Chi	61-70	8	22	17,572	1,209,949	70	
26	132	LA	61-71	8	22				
27	133	LA	62-71	7	21				
28	134	SF	62-72	7	22				
29	135	SF	63-72	7	22				
30	136	Chi	63-73	7	22				
31	137	Chi	64-73	7	22				

SEPTEMBER

1	138	Chi	64-74	7	23				
2	139	Pitt	64-75	7	24				
2	140	Pitt	64-76	8	24½				
3	141	Pitt	64-77	8	25½				
6	142	Atl	64-78	8	24½				
7	143	Atl	65-78	8	23½				
8	144	Atl	65-79	8	24½				
10	145	Cin	66-79	8	23½				
10	146	Cin	66-80	T-8	23½				
11	147	Cin	66-81	T-9	24½				
11	148	Cin	66-82	T-9	25				
13	149	StL	67-82	T-9	24	15,425	1,225,374	71	
14	150	StL	67-83	T-9	25	16,324	1,241,698	72	
15	151	StL	67-84	T-9	26	16,638	1,258,336	73	
17	152	Atl	68-84	T-9	26	6,471	1,264,807	74	
18	153	Atl	68-85	T-9	26	6,392	1,271,199	75	
19	154	Atl	68-86	10	26	5,431	1,276,630	76	
20	155	Cin	69-86	10	26	7,175	1,283,805	77	
21	156	Cin	69-87	10	25	5,664	1,289,469	78	
22	157	Cin	70-87	10	24	6,700	1,296,169	79	
24	158	SF	70-88	10	24	7,460	1,303,629	80	
25	159	SF	71-88	10	24	9,258	1,312,887	81	
27	160	StL	71-89	10	25				
28	161	StL	72-89	10	24				
29	162	StL	72-90	10	25				

MONTH BY MONTH

Month	1967		All-Time High			All-Time Low			All-Time Total	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	Year	W-L	Pct.	Year	W-L	Pct.
April	7-10	.412	10-6	.625	1965	5-13	.278	1967	52-68	.433
May	14-14	.500	16-12	.571	1966	12-19	.387	1962	93-112	.454
June	11-19	.367	14-14	.500	1964	9-20	.310	1963	83-118	.413
July	13-17	.433	19-12	.613	1967	5-24	.172	1962	78-124	.386
August	19-13	.594	19-13	.594	1968	9-21	.300	1967	87-122	.416
September	8-17	.320	16-11	.593	1963	7-20	.259	1965	77-108	.416
October	0-0	.000	2-0	1.000	1966	0-1	.000	1967	4-6	.400
TOTALS	72-90	.444							474-658	.419

HOUSTON VS. NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ALL TIME			1968		
	HOME		ROAD	HOME		ROAD
	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L
Atlanta	46-80	25-38	21-42	7-11	3-6	4-5
Chicago	68-58	44-19	24-39	8-10	6-3	2-7
Cincinnati	50-76	28-35	22-41	9-9	4-5	5-4
Los Angeles	51-75	26-37	25-38	11-7	6-3	5-4
New York	77-47	45-17	32-30	10-8	5-4	5-4
Philadelphia	48-83	28-35	15-48	9-9	6-3	3-6
Pittsburgh	42-84	31-32	11-52	5-13	5-4	0-9
St. Louis	52-74	30-33	22-41	5-13	2-7	3-6
San Francisco	45-81	29-34	16-47	8-10	5-4	3-6
TOTALS	474-658	286-280	188-378	72-90	42-39	30-51

Houston vs. National League Doubleheaders All Time

	HOME		ROAD		TOTAL	
	W-L-S	W-L-S	W-L-S	W-L-S	W-L-S	W-L-S
Atlanta	1 - 1 - 0		1 - 3 - 1		2 - 4 - 1	
Chicago	1 - 0 - 2		1 - 3 - 6		2 - 3 - 8	
Cincinnati	1 - 0 - 0		2 - 5 - 7		3 - 5 - 7	
Los Angeles	0 - 1 - 0		2 - 3 - 1		2 - 4 - 1	
New York	4 - 0 - 0		6 - 5 - 6		10 - 5 - 6	
Philadelphia	0 - 3 - 0		0 - 4 - 2		0 - 7 - 2	
Pittsburgh	0 - 1 - 0		1 - 3 - 5		1 - 4 - 5	
St. Louis	0 - 0 - 1		0 - 0 - 4		0 - 0 - 5	
San Francisco	0 - 0 - 0		0 - 4 - 4		0 - 4 - 4	
TOTALS	7 - 6 - 3		13-30-36		20-36-39	

FINAL NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS 1968

Club	StL	SF	Chi	Cin	Atl	Pitt	LA	Phil	NY	Hou	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	8	9	11	13	12	9	10	12	13	97	65	.599	—	
San Francisco	10	9	10	9	11	9	9	11	10	88	74	.543	9	
Chicago	9	9	7	10	10	12	9	8	10	84	78	.519	13	
Cincinnati	7	8	11		8	10	9	11	10	9	79	.512	14	
Atlanta	5	9	8	10		6	9	11	12	11	81	.500	16	
Pittsburgh	6	7	8	8	12		8	9	9	13	80	.494	17	
Los Angeles	9	9	6	9	9	10		10	7	7	76	.469	21	
Philadelphia	8	9	9	7	7	9	8		10	9	76	.469	21	
New York	6	7	10	8	6	9	11	8		8	73	.451	24	
Houston	5	8	8	9	7	5	11	9	10		72	.444	25	

YEAR-BY-YEAR WITH HOUSTON

YEAR	WON	LOST	PCT.	POSITION	MANAGER
1962	64	96	.400	8	Harry Craft
1963	66	96	.407	9	Harry Craft
1964	66	96	.407	9	Harry Craft (61-88) Luman Harris (5-8)
1965	65	97	.401	9	Luman Harris
1966	72	90	.444	8	Grady Hatton
1967	69	93	.426	9	Grady Hatton
1968	72	90	.444	10	Grady Hatton (23-38) Harry Walker (49-52)
TOTALS	474	658	.419		

HOUSTON ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Season—Home	2,151,470	1965	
Season—Road	1,109,584	1966	
Season—Home and Road	3,104,214	1965	
Opening Day	42,652	April 12, 1965	Philadelphia
Single Game	50,908	June 22, 1966	Los Angeles
Doubleheader	42,648	June 20, 1965	Philadelphia
Day-Night Doubleheader			
Day	30,738		
Night	42,595		
Total	73,333	July 24, 1965	Cincinnati
Night Game	50,908	June 22, 1966	Los Angeles
Day Game	49,442	September 5, 1965	Los Angeles
Largest—Home	50,908	June 22, 1966	Los Angeles
Largest—Road	47,656	July 9, 1966	St. Louis
Smallest—Home	1,638	September 8, 1962	New York
Smallest—Astrodome	3,616	September 27, 1967	Philadelphia
Smallest—Road	913	May 4, 1965	Milwaukee
Single Home Stand	446,087	May 17-June 1, 1965	16 dates

FIVE LARGEST HOME CROWDS

50,908	June 22, 1966	Los Angeles—Night
50,136	July 3, 1965	Los Angeles—Night
49,442	September 5, 1965	Los Angeles—Day
49,003	August 6, 1966	Los Angeles—Night
47,642	July 4, 1965	Los Angeles—Day

SERIES RECORDS

Total One Series	142,116	August 5-7, 1966	Los Angeles
One Day Series	42,652	April 12, 1965	Philadelphia
One Game Series	42,652	April 12, 1965	Philadelphia
Two Day Series	73,992	July 21-22, 1965	St. Louis
Two Game Series	73,992	July 21-22, 1965	St. Louis
Three Day Series	142,116	August 5-7, 1966	Los Angeles
Three Game Series	142,116	August 5-7, 1966	Los Angeles
Four Day Series	123,710	August 18-21, 1967	St. Louis
Four Game Series	141,443	July 23-25, 1965	Cincinnati
Five Game Series	101,566	May 26-29, 1966	Pittsburgh
Atlanta	92,546	May 30-June 1, 1965	3 dates
Chicago	110,569	April 30-May 2, 1965	4 dates
Cincinnati	141,443	July 23-25, 1965	4 dates
Los Angeles	142,116	August 5-7, 1966	3 dates
New York	108,214	June 24-27, 1965	4 dates
Philadelphia	105,977	August 9-12, 1965	4 dates
Pittsburgh	107,323	July 22-24, 1966	3 dates
St. Louis	123,710	August 18-21, 1967	4 dates
San Francisco	130,514	May 21-23, 1965	4 dates

MONTHLY RECORDS

Total One Month	500,473	May—1965	18 dates
April	204,974	1965	8 dates
May	500,473	1965	18 dates
June	396,381	1966	13 dates
July	427,066	1965	12 dates
August	417,312	1966	16 dates
September	298,527	1965	14 dates
October	36,480	1965	3 dates

CLUB ATTENDANCE RECORDS AT HOUSTON

At Houston	Largest Day	Smallest Day	Largest Season
Atlanta	38,734—1965	4,902—1962	209,818—1966
Chicago	37,255—1965	3,853—1964	226,762—1965
Cincinnati	42,595—1965	4,742—1964	221,317—1965
Los Angeles	50,908—1966	5,323—1964	347,332—1965
New York	41,732—1965	1,638—1962	256,403—1965
Philadelphia	42,652—1965	2,231—1963	228,879—1965
Pittsburgh	43,825—1966	2,782—1963	226,761—1966
St. Louis	44,887—1967	2,551—1963	207,139—1965
San Francisco	43,367—1965	4,154—1964	238,942—1965

CLUB ATTENDANCE RECORDS ON ROAD

	Largest Day	Smallest Day	Largest Season
At Atlanta	27,604—1968	* 913—1965	143,064—1967
At Chicago	31,733—1967	1,572—1964	97,823—1967
At Cincinnati	27,878—1964	2,002—1966	107,485—1962
At Los Angeles	45,146—1962	8,928—1968	239,779—1962
At New York	40,409—1966	1,481—1962	134,987—1967
At Philadelphia	27,288—1964	2,732—1962	121,468—1964
At Pittsburgh	32,986—1967	1,951—1967	121,229—1966
At St. Louis	47,656—1966	4,348—1965	194,784—1967
At San Francisco	42,555—1967	3,261—1964	172,961—1962

* At Milwaukee

YEAR-BY-YEAR HOUSTON ATTENDANCE DATA

Year	Home	Road	Total
1962	924,456	925,345	1,849,801
1963	719,502	765,720	1,485,222
1964	725,773	853,254	1,579,027
1965	2,151,470	952,749	3,104,219
1966	1,872,108	1,109,584	2,981,692
1967	1,348,303	1,088,450	2,436,753
1968	1,312,887	877,039	2,189,926
TOTALS	9,054,499	6,572,141	15,626,640

No-Hit Games by Houston Pitchers

1963—Don Nottebart vs. Philadelphia at Houston, May 17	4-1
1964—Ken Johnson vs. Cincinnati at Houston, April 23	Lost 1-0
1967—Don Wilson vs. Atlanta at Houston, June 18	2-0

No-Hit Games Pitched Against Houston

1963—Juan Marichal at San Francisco, June 15	1-0
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One-Hit Games by Houston Pitchers

1963—Bob Bruce vs. Cincinnati, April 26	2-0
1966—Dave Giusti vs. San Francisco, August 13	3-0

One-Hit Games Pitched Against Houston

1962—Al Jackson—New York, June 22	2-0
1963—Johnny Podres (8-innings) Larry Sherry (1-inning)—Los Angeles, August 4	4-0
1964—Jim Bunning—Philadelphia, May 18	4-0
1965—Joe Nuxhall—Cincinnati, July 24	2-0
1967—Al Jackson—St. Louis, April 25	4-0

Lifetime Houston Shutouts

Giusti	8
Bruce	6
Cuellar	6
Wilson	6 (Atl, Chi, LA, NY-2, Phil)
Farrell	5
Brown	3
Dierker	3 (Cin, LA, StL)
Johnson	3
Roberts	3
Lemaster	2 (Cin, StL)

Shutout Pitchers Against Houston—Lifetime

Law	7	Jackson, A.	3	Friend	2
Koufax	6	Lemaster	3	Jay	2
Short	6	Maloney	3	Niekro, P.	2
Jackson, L.	5	Nuxhall	3	O'Toole	2
Marichal	5	Shaw, B.	3	Perry	2
Bunning	3	Briles	2	Seaver	2
Drysdale	3	Cardwell	2	Simmons	2
Gibson	3	Fisher	2	Washburn	2

ONE EACH: De Bennett, Blasingame, Blass, Brewer, Broglio, Buhl, Carlton, Cloninger, Culp, Faul, Fischer, Fryman, Hands, Hamilton, Jenkins, Lary, Mahaffey, Moose, Niekro, J., Osteen, C., Pappas, Pierce, Podres, Purkey, Sadecki, Singer, Spahn, Sturdivant, Sutton, Tsitouris.

HOUSTON TOP TEN WINNING PITCHERS ALL TIME

Farrell	53-64	Johnson	32-51
Giusti	47-53	Wilson	24-25
Bruce	42-58	Nottebart	21-34
Cuellar	37-36	Woodeshick	21-38
Dierker	35-37	Raymond	19-18

HOUSTON PITCHERS LIFETIME RECORDS AGAINST THE NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pitcher	Atl	Chi	Cin	Hou	LA	NY	Phil	Pitt	StL	SF	W-L
Blasingame	1-1	6-2	0-3	5-1	3-7	7-0	5-8	2-5	3-3	2-1	34-31
Buzhardt	4-6	1-1	2-9	—	2-8	1-0	3-0	2-6	3-8	4-5	22-43
Coombs	2-0	1-0	0-1	—	2-0	1-1	0-1	2-0	0-1	0-2	8-6
Dierker	3-4	4-6	3-3	—	3-4	6-5	2-3	5-3	6-6	3-3	35-37
Gilson	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2
House	0-0	0-0	0-0	—	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	2-1
Lemaster	0-2	4-12	7-12	7-2	11-9	9-5	7-6	8-7	10-13	5-6	68-74
Monbouquette	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1
Ray	0-0	0-1	0-1	—	0-0	2-0	0-0	0-1	0-2	0-0	2-5
Reed	0-2	2-2	2-1	1-0	0-1	2-0	1-0	2-1	0-1	1-2	11-10
Schneider	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	1-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	2-4
Shea	0-0	1-0	2-2	—	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-0	0-0	0-1	4-4
Wilson	2-4	3-3	4-5	—	4-4	4-1	2-3	1-1	1-2	3-2	24-25

HOUSTON PITCHERS LIFETIME RECORDS AGAINST THE NATIONAL LEAGUE WHILE WITH HOUSTON ONLY

Pitcher	Atl	Chi	Cin	LA	NY	Phil	Pitt	StL	SF	W-L
Blasingame	1-1	0-0	0-1	1-1	2-0	0-3	0-2	1-1	0-0	5-9
Buzhardt	1-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-2	4-4
Combs	2-0	1-0	0-1	2-0	1-1	0-1	2-0	0-1	0-2	8-6
Dierker	3-4	4-6	3-3	3-4	6-5	2-3	5-3	6-6	3-3	35-37
House	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	2-1
Lemaster	0-2	0-3	1-1	2-0	1-2	2-1	1-2	1-2	2-2	10-15
Ray	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	2-0	0-0	0-1	0-2	0-0	2-5
Reed	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2
Schneider	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1
Shea	0-0	1-0	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-0	0-0	0-1	4-4
Wilson	2-4	3-3	4-5	4-4	4-1	2-3	1-1	1-2	3-2	24-25

HOUSTON OPENING-DAY GAMES

Year	Where Played	Score	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Atten
1962.....Houston		Houston 11 Chicago 2	Shantz	Cardwell	25,271
1963.....Houston		San Francisco 9 Houston 2	Sanford	Farrell	19,591
1964.....Cincinnati		Houston 6 Cincinnati 3	Johnson	Maloney	27,878
1965.....Houston		Philadelphia 2 Houston 0	Short	Bruce	42,652
1966.....Los Angeles		Los Angeles 3 Houston 2	Osteen	Roberts	34,520
1967.....Houston		Houston 6 Atlanta 1	Cuellar	Kelley	26,001
1968.....Houston		Houston 5 Pittsburgh 4	Dierker	Pizarro	21,320

National League Pitchers Lifetime Records vs. Houston

TOP TEN

Gibson	20-9	Koufax	14-2	Bunning	11-4
Jackson, L.	18-6	Law	14-4	Cloninger	11-6
Short	17-6	Maloney	13-7	Ellsworth	11-8
Marichal	17-8	Shaw, B.	12-5	Drysdale	11-9
—A—					
Abernathy—4-3		Holtzman—3-2		—P—	
Arrigo—2-6		Hughes—2-0		Pappas—6-5	
—B—					
Belinsky—1-0		Jackson, A.—10-8		Perry—7-8	
Blass—4-3		Jackson, G.—0-2		Podres—6-2	
Bolin—9-6		Jarvis—6-1		Purdin—2-1	
Boozer—2-1		Jaster—5-3		—Q—	
Brewer—4-4		Jenkins—4-3		Queen—3-0	
Briles—5-4		Johnson—9-2		—R—	
Britton—0-1		—K—			
Bunning—11-4		Kelley—1-1		Rakow—2-0	
—C—					
Cardwell—6-6		Kelso—1-0		Raymond—1-2	
Carlton—7-2		Kline—1-0		Reed—2-1	
Carroll—4-1		Koonce—3-4		Regan—2-3	
Cloninger—11-6		Koosman—2-3		Ritchie—1-1	
—D—					
Dal Canton—1-0		Lee, B.—1-0		Rohr—0-2	
Drysdale—11-9		Linzy—5-2		Ryan—1-3	
—E—					
Ellis, D.—1-1		—M—			
—F—					
Farrell—1-2		Maloney—13-7		Sherry—1-0	
Fisher—5-8		Marichal—17-8		Short—17-6	
Fryman—5-2		McAndrew—0-1		Singer—4-1	
—G—					
Gardner—0-3		McBean—8-3		Sisk—5-4	
Gibbon—6-0		McCool—2-5		Stoneman—1-1	
Gibson—20-9		McCormick—7-2		Sutton—4-3	
Granger—0-1		McGraw—0-5		—T—	
Grant—0-1		Mikkelsen—1-0		Taylor—4-7	
—H—					
Hands—7-4		Moeller—4-2		Tsitouris—3-2	
Hartenstein—2-1		Moose—3-0		—U—	
Hendley—4-4		—N—			
Henry—1-0		Niekro, J.—3-3		Upshaw—1-0	
Herbel—1-1		Niekro, P.—2-5		—V—	
Hinsley—0-1		Nolan—4-0		Vaughan—1-0	
—O—					
		Nye—1-3		Veale—9-2	
		Oskinski—0-1		—W—	
		Osteen, C.—8-6		Wagner—2-2	
				Washburn—10-7	
				Willis—1-1	
				Wise—3-3	

ASTROS VS. N.L. SEASON SERIES

	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
*Atlanta	7-11	5-13	12-6	4-14	4-14	7-11	7-11
Chicago	11-7	9-9	7-11	10-8	13-5	10-8	8-10
Cincinnati	5-13	7-11	6-12	6-12	14-4	3-15	9-9
Los Angeles	6-12	5-13	7-11	5-13	7-11	10-8	11-7
New York	13-3	13-5	9-9	14-4	7-11	11-7	10-8
Philadelphia	1-17	8-10	5-13	6-12	7-11	7-11	9-9
Pittsburgh	5-13	6-12	5-13	8-10	4-14	9-9	5-13
St. Louis	9-9	5-13	8-10	9-9	10-8	6-12	5-13
San Francisco	7-11	8-10	7-11	3-15	6-12	6-12	8-10

*—Milwaukee 1962-3-4-5.

Houston Top Ten Home Run Hitters All Time

Wynn	112	Morgan	25
Staub	57	Mejias	24
Aspromonte	51	Warwick	23
Bateman	45	Gentile	14
Bond	27	Spangler	14

Home Run Table Houston All Time

Player	vs.	Atl	Chi	Cin	LA	NY	Phil	Pitt	StL	SF	Tot
Dierker .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2
Gotay .....	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	3
Menke	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	6
Miller	1	..	2	1	..	..	1	2	..	1	8
Morgan	6	6	1	3	2	..	..	2	..	5	25
Rader	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	8
Torres .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Watson .....	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	3
Wilson .....	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wynn	15	16	9	14	11	11	11	11	12	13	112

Houston Grand Slams

Player	Date	Opponent	At	Pitcher	Inning
Buddin	6-10-62	LA	Hou	Moeller	6
Larker	6-20-62	SF	SF	Marichal	3
Aspromonte	6-11-63	Chi	Hou	McDaniel	10
Campbell	7-4-63	Cin	Hou	Jay	8
Aspromonte	7-26-63	NY	Hou	Stallard	1
Aspromonte	6-11-64	Cin	Hou	Tsitouris	5
Aspromonte	6-29-64	Phil	Hou	Mahaffey	1
Aspromonte	8-11-66	Chi	Chi	Roberts	2
Aspromonte	8-26-66	Chi	Hou	Koonce	9
Harrison	9-16-66	Phil	Hou	Short	4
Miller	8-10-68	Pitt	Hou	Face	9

Opponents Gram Slams

Player	Date	Opponent	At	Pitcher	Inning
Robinson	7-8-62	Cin	Cin	Bruce	5
Bailey, E.	4-10-63	SF	Hou	McMahon	8
Willey	7-15-63	NY	NY	Johnson	2
Oliver, G.	8-28-63	Mil	Hou	Farrell	8
Burton	8-31-63	Chi	Chi	Woodeshick	9
Williams	5-1-64	Chi	Hou	Hoerner	1
Stargell	8-28-65	Pitt	Pitt	Dierker	1
White	8-3-66	Phil	Phil	Semera	5
Pavletich	6-11-67	Cin	Cin	Schneider	9
Mays	6-13-67	SF	Hou	Latman	10
Aaron, H.	6-27-67	Atl	Atl	Blasingame	3
Davis, T.	7-19-67	NY	NY	Giusti	1
Lock	8-14-68	Phil	Phil	Lemaster	3

Grand Slam Home Runs—Lifetime

Blefary	3	Edwards	3
Clendenon	1	Menke	1
Miller	1		

National League Home Runs Lifetime Records vs. Houston

TOP TEN

Mays	31	McCovey	21	Williams	16
Aaron, H.	26	Haller	20	Cepeda	15
Santo	26	Allen	19	White	15
Banks	21	Stargell	17		

—A—

Aaron, H.—26
Allen—19
Alou, F.—13
Alou, M.—2

—B—

Bailey, B.—6
Banks—21
Beckert—2
Bench—2
Boccabella—2
Bolin—1
Boyer, C.—3
Boyer, K.—12
Briggs—2
Brock—5
Brown, O.—3
Buchek—5

—C—

Callison—12
Carty—6
Cepeda—15
Clemens—1
Clemente—10
Collins—1

—D—

Davenport—4
Davis, W.—2
De la hoz—3
Drysdale—1

—E—

Fairly—5
Ferrara—1
Flood—6
Francona—2

—G—

Gabrielson—1
Gagliano—1
Gibson—1
Gonzalez—8
Goosser—1

—H—

Haller—20
Hart—13
Helms—1
Hickman—4
Hundley—5
Hunt—1

—J—

Javier—6
Johnson, B.—1
Johnson, D.—10
Johnson, F.—1
Jones, C.—2
Jones, M.—12

—K—

Kolb—1
Kranepool—8

—L—

Lefebvre—7
Lewis—2
Lock—2

—M—

Martin—2
May, L.—3
May, J.—2
Mays—31
Mazeroski—6
McCarver—6
McCovey—21
Mota—4

—O—

Oliver, G.—5
Osteen, C.—1

—P—

Pagan—1
Parker—4
Patek—2
Perez—11
Phillips—5
Pinson—13

—Q—

Queen—1
Robertson—2
Rodgers—1
Rojas—2
Rose—5
Ruiz—1

—R—

Santo—26
Savage—1
Shamsky—4
Shannon—4
Spiezio—1
Stargell—17
Stuart—4
Swoboda—4

—T—

Taylor, T.—1
Tolan—1
Torre—13

—W—

White—15
Williams—16
Wine—1

HOUSTON ORIGINAL SELECTEES

(Picked in National League Expansion Draft at Cincinnati
October 13, 1961)

Player	Drafted From	Price	Present Club
Joe Amalfitano	Giants	\$125,000	Cubs
Bob Aspromonte	Dodgers	75,000	Braves
Ed Bressoud	Giants	75,000	Retired
Dick Drott	Cubs	75,000	Retired
Dick Farrell	Dodgers	125,000	Phillies
Dick Gernert	Reds	75,000	Retired
Jim Golden	Dodgers	50,000	Retired
Al Heist	Cubs	75,000	Retired
Jess Hickman	Phillies	75,000	Minors
Ken Johnson	Reds	75,000	Braves
Sam Jones	Giants	75,000	Retired
Norm Larker	Dodgers	75,000	Retired
Bob Lillis	Cardinals	75,000	Retired
Roman Mejias	Pirates	75,000	Retired
Ed Olivares	Cardinals	50,000	Minors
Merritt Ranew	Braves	75,000	Minors
Paul Roof	Braves	75,000	Retired
Bobby Shantz	Pirates	75,000	Retired
Hal Smith	Pirates	125,000	Retired
Al Spangler	Braves	125,000	Cubs
Don Taussig	Cardinals	75,000	Retired
Jim Umbricht	Pirates	50,000	Deceased
George Williams	Phillies	75,000	Minors

HOUSTON INDIVIDUAL SEASON RECORDS

BATTING

Most Games	161—Rusty Staub	1968
Most At Bats	601—Joe Morgan	1965
Most Runs	102—Jim Wynn	1967
Most Hits	182—Rusty Staub	1967
Most Singles	160—Sonny Jackson ..	1966
Most Doubles	44—Rusty Staub	1967
Most Triples	12—Joe Morgan	1965
Most Home Runs	37—Jim Wynn	1967
Most Total Bases	294—Jim Wynn	1967
Most Extra Base Hits	69—Jim Wynn	1967
Most Sacrifice Hits	27—Sonny Jackson ..	1966
Most Sacrifice Flies	8—Rusty Staub	1966
Most Stolen Bases	49—Sonny Jackson ..	1966
Most Caught Stealing	17—Jim Wynn	1966
Most Base on Balls	97—Joe Morgan	1965
Most Strike Outs	137—Jim Wynn	1967
Fewest Strike Outs	52—Bob Aspromonte	
	(150 or more games)	1965
Most Hit by Pitcher	10—Nellie Fox	1964
Most Runs Batted In	107—Jim Wynn	1967
Highest Batting Average .....	.333—Rusty Staub	1967
Highest Slugging Average .....	.495—Jim Wynn	1967
Longest Hitting Streak-Games	20—Rusty Staub	1967
Most Grounded into Double Plays	22—Bob Aspromonte	1966
Fewest Grounded into Double Plays	2—Joe Morgan	
	(502 or more plate appearances)	1966 & 1967

PITCHING

Most Games	62—Claude Raymond	1966
Most Games Started	35—Ken Johnson	1964
Most Complete Games	16—Mike Cuellar	1967
Most Innings Pitched	251—Dave Giusti	1968
Most Games Won	16—Mike Cuellar	1967
Most Games Lost	20—Dick Farrell	1962
Most Consecutive Games Won	7—Dick Farrell	1964
Most Consecutive Games Lost	11—Dick Drott	1963
Most Strikeouts	203—Dick Farrell	1962
	Mike Cuellar	1967
Most Strikeouts-9 Inning Game	18—Don Wilson	1968
Most Shutouts	4—Bob Bruce	1964
	Dave Giusti	1966
Most Hits Allowed	241—Bob Bruce	1965
Most Hit Batsmen	12—Bob Bruce	1962
Most Wild Pitches	20—Larry Dierker	1968
Most Home Runs Allowed	23—Dick Farrell	1966
	Dave Giusti	1966
Lowest Earned Run Average	2.22—Mike Cuellar	1966
Most Saves	22—Hal Woodeshick	1964

HOUSTON TEAM SEASON RECORDS

BATTING

Highest Percentage .....	.255—1966
Most Runs	626—1967
Most Runs Batted In	581—1967
Most Hits	1405—1966
Most Total Bases	2014—1966
Most Extra Base Hits	398—1967
Most Doubles	259—1967
Most Triples	47—1962
Most Home Runs	112—1966
Most Bases on Balls	537—1967
Most Strike Outs	988—1968

All-Time Houston Batting Leaders

GAMES		AT-BATS		PERCENTAGE	
HITS		DOUBLES		TRIPLES	
Aspromonte	1007	Aspromonte	3588	Staub	.273
Staub	833	Staub	2906	Aspromonte	.258
Wynn	713	Wynn	2587	Wynn	.257
HOME RUNS		RUNS BATTED IN		EXTRA BASE HITS	
Wynn	112	Aspromonte	385	Wynn	253
Staub	57	Staub	370	Staub	225
Aspromonte	51	Wynn	353	Aspromonte	186
TOTAL BASES		RUNS		STOLEN BASES	
Aspromonte	1237	Wynn	389	Wynn	92
Wynn	1164	Aspromonte	336	Jackson	73
Staub	1143	Staub	297	Morgan	64
BASES ON BALLS		STRIKEOUTS			
Wynn	343	Wynn	586		
Staub	323	Aspromonte	383		
Morgan	285	Bateman	361		

All-Time Houston Pitching Leaders

GAMES		GAMES STARTED		COMPLETE GAMES	
WON		LOST		INNINGS PITCHED	
Farrell	181	Bruce	138	Farrell	41
Giusti	176	Farrell	132	Cuellar	38
Woodeshick	174	Giusti	118	Giusti	33
HITS		RUNS		EARNED RUNS	
Farrell	947	Giusti	447	Giusti	408
Bruce	918	Farrell	432	Farrell	386
Giusti	910	Bruce	425	Bruce	381
BASES ON BALLS		STRIKEOUTS		HOME RUNS	
Giusti	263	Farrell	694	Farrell	95
Bruce	242	Giusti	625	Giusti	79
Farrell	212	Bruce	609	Bruce	69
EARNED RUN AVERAGE				PERCENTAGE	
Cuellar	2.74	Raymond		19-18	.514
Dierker	3.31	Cuellar		37-36	.507
Farrell	3.42	Dierker		35-37	.486

The first home run ever hit by a Houston player in the National League came on opening day of 1962—April 10. Roman Mejias connected off Chicago pitcher Don Cardwell in the third inning with two men on base. Mejias also homered off Al Lary in the eighth inning with two more men on to account for the third Colt 45s' home run of the game. Hal Smith had hit one in the third inning. The first opposition home run came in the seventh inning of the same game when the Cubs' Ernie Banks hit one off Bobby Shantz.

THE ASTRODOME

1. THE WORLD'S FIRST AIR-CONDITIONED ALL-PURPOSE STADIUM

The world's first air-conditioned, domed, all-purpose stadium, shining like a precious jewel in southwest Houston, Texas, was constructed by the citizens of Harris County at a cost of \$20.5 million plus \$3 million for the land on which the structure is located, and a total cost of \$31.6 million for the entire project including access roads and parking.

The stadium is leased for 40 years to the Houston Sports Association, which owns and operates Houston's National League baseball club. The HSA pays an annual lease fee of \$750,000 plus all operating costs, and has the right to sub-lease the stadium.

2. HOME OF—

- Houston Astros National League baseball team
- Houston Oilers, American Football League
- University of Houston Cougar football team
- Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo
- Conventions of all types and sizes
- Religious conclaves
- Shows and Circuses
- Championship boxing matches
- Other Sports and functions

3. STADIUM COMPLEX COVERS 260 ACRES

The stadium structure itself covers nine and a half acres of land, and the entire complex, including exhibition hall and parking area, covers 260 acres.

The outside diameter of the stadium structure is 710 feet and the floor of the stadium is approximately 25 feet below normal ground level, affording minimum vertical travel by fans.

4. COMFORTABLE CUSHIONED, UPHOLSTERED SEATING

There are 41,000 cushioned, upholstered (seat and back) theatre seats in the stadium and 4,000 pavilion seats with cushioned upholstered seats and wooden backs.

The seating capacities are 45,000 for baseball, 52,000 for football, 60,000 for conventions and a maximum of 66,000 for boxing or similar events.

Seating can be arranged to accommodate any type of sport or meeting from rodeos to national political conventions. To convert from baseball to football seating, the stands holding 10,000 seats move around on steel rails until they parallel the football sidelines.

Seating is arranged on six levels, allowing in effect, six front rows. All seats face the center of the playing area for baseball and football with the radius point of the stadium 20 feet behind second base on the baseball diamond. This means that the seats in center field stands are just as close to the center of action as some of the best seats behind home plate.

5. TWO MILLION DOLLAR SCOREBOARD

The domed stadium scoreboard is an attraction itself, featuring all pertinent sports information plus an electrical show that lasts over 40 seconds when the home team hits a home run or scores a point.

The scoreboard, built at a cost of \$2 million, is adaptable to all spectator sports and is over 400 feet long. It includes a television picture screen in direct center field, an automatic message board, and three additional boards for valuable information such as line-ups, scores, balls and strikes, and special plays.

Two auxiliary scoreboards also display the most pertinent information.

6. RAMPS AND ESCALATORS PROVIDE EASY ACCESS TO SEATS

Wide, low-pitched ramps and two sets of escalators provide easy access to the seats, and the entire stands can be emptied in nine minutes with a maximum crowd.

7. UNIQUE ROOF AND LIGHTING SYSTEM

The permanent roof of the dome, which has a clear span of 642 feet (twice that of any previous structure), has a maximum height of 208 feet above the playing field. This would allow the construction of an 18-story building under the roof.

The roof design consists of a steel lamella frame incorporating trussed beams arching upward to meet at the center and braced in a diamond pattern.

This steel skeleton supports a roof containing 4,596 skylights (7'2" by 3'4") each made of cast acrylic sheet.

The roof can withstand hurricane winds of 135 m.p.h. and gusts of 165 m.p.h.

The playing field is illuminated to an average brightness of 150 foot candles by 1,906 floodlights, and the total electric power consumed exceeds 18,000 KVA, more than that needed by a city of 9,000 population.

8. OVER 6,000 TONS OF AIR CONDITIONING

The stadium is completely air-conditioned with 6,600 tons of cooling capacity, costing some \$4.5 million. The system circulates 2.5 million cubic feet of air each minute. Every minute 250,000 cubic feet of fresh air is drawn into the stadium and conditioned by electronic filters and activated charcoal odor removers before being distributed through the system. Smoke and hot air are drawn out through the top of the roof.

FARM CLUB ORGANIZATION

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BOB LILLIS—Director of Instruction

ASSOCIATED CLUBS

Team	League	Class Manager	General Manager
*Oklahoma City	Amer. Assc.	AAA Cot Deal	Joe Ryan
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*Cocoa	Florida State	A Leo Posada	John Oliveria
#Williamsport	New York-Penn.	A Billy Smith	Rankin Johnson
+Coxington	Appalachian	Dick Bogard	Charlie McKee

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Summer League club

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1969 is the sixth spring the Houston baseball club headquartered its training activities at Cocoa, Florida.

In 1964, Houston's first at Cocoa, only Oklahoma City of the Pacific Coast League joined the parent team on the new complex. However, 1965 saw the entire system of six clubs joined together for the first time on a common training location.

Clubs training at the Cocoa facility beside the Astros are Oklahoma City (American Association), Savannah (Southern), Peninsula (Carolina) and Cocoa (Florida State).

The \$800,000 modern facility was built by the city of Cocoa and is being leased to the Astros for a period of ten years. Cocoa is located just nine miles west of Cape Kennedy, and the training area is five miles west of Cocoa.

The camp covers 52 acres and includes a lighted 5,200 seat stadium for the Astros exhibition games as well as the regular season games of the Cocoa team in the Florida State League. There is space surrounding the stadium for parking 3,000 cars.

Aside from the large stadium, there are four additional diamonds for training of the minor league clubs. These fields are set in a wheel effect with an observation tower in the center to observe activity of all operations simultaneously.

Most of the players, as well as staff personnel, press and radio are housed in the dormitory which is located adjacent to the stadium and practice fields. The dormitory has a sleeping capacity of 268 and also features a large cafeteria seating 350, a large lobby and lounge, plus offices for both the major and minor league operations. A recreation building, located next to the dormitory, features pool, table tennis and other activities for leisure time.

The training camp has two clubhouses, one for major league players and visiting teams and one for the minor league teams. Capacity of the two units is 300 players.

This is the eighth spring training season for the Houston baseball club and the sixth at Cocoa. Houston's first two seasons in the National League, the club trained at Apache Junction, Arizona.

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The largest crowds to watch baseball in Colt Stadium came on June 10, 1962 when Los Angeles swept Houston a doubleheader before 30,027 fans and on September 12, 1962 as the Dodgers beat the Colt 45s before 28,669.

SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
FRIDAY	MARCH 7	LOS ANGELES DODGERS	COCOA	1:30
Saturday	March 8	Boston Red Sox	Winter Haven	1:30
SUNDAY	MARCH 9	NEW YORK METS	COCOA	1:30
Monday	March 10	Los Angeles Dodgers	Vero Beach	1:30
Tuesday	March 11	Atlanta Braves	West Palm Beach	1:30
Wednesday	March 12	Baltimore Orioles	Miami	1:30
THURSDAY	MARCH 13	MONTREAL EXPOS	COCOA	1:30
FRIDAY	MARCH 14	CINCINNATI REDS	COCOA	1:30
SATURDAY	MARCH 15	MINNESOTA TWINS	COCOA	1:30
Sunday	March 16	Minnesota Twins	Orlando	1:30
Monday	March 17	Kansas City Royals	Fort Myers	1:30
Tuesday	March 18	Chicago White Sox	Sarasota	1:30
WEDNESDAY	MARCH 19	BOSTON RED SOX	COCOA	1:30
THURSDAY	MARCH 20	MONTREAL EXPOS	COCOA	1:30
Friday	March 21	Montreal Expos	West Palm Beach	1:30
SATURDAY	MARCH 22	KANSAS CITY ROYALS	COCOA	1:30
Sunday	March 23	Washington Senators	Pompano Beach	1:30
MONDAY	MARCH 24	PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES	COCOA	1:30
TUESDAY	MARCH 25	ATLANTA BRAVES	COCOA	1:30
Wednesday	March 26	Philadelphia Phillies	Clearwater	1:30
THURSDAY	MARCH 27	KANSAS CITY ROYALS	COCOA	1:30
Friday	March 28	New York Mets	St. Petersburg	1:30
SATURDAY	MARCH 29	WASHINGTON SENATORS	COCOA	1:30
Sunday	March 30	Cincinnati Reds	Tampa	1:30
Monday	March 31	OPEN		
TUESDAY	APRIL 1	LOS ANGELES DODGERS	HOUSTON	7:30
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 2	LOS ANGELES DODGERS	HOUSTON	7:30
THURSDAY	APRIL 3	BOSTON RED SOX	HOUSTON	7:30
FRIDAY	APRIL 4	BOSTON RED SOX	HOUSTON	7:30
SATURDAY	APRIL 5	BOSTON RED SOX	HOUSTON	7:30
SUNDAY	APRIL 6	BOSTON RED SOX	HOUSTON	1:30

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St. Louis	Chase
San Diego	El Cortez
San Francisco	Jack Tar

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The first National League doubleheader played in Houston was on June 10, 1962 against Los Angeles. The Dodgers won both games, 9 to 3 and 9 to 7.

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The Houston Colt 45s played three seasons in Colt Stadium, 1962-63-64, and finished in that ball park with a victory over Los Angeles, 1 to 0, in 12-innings on September 27, 1964.

HOUSTON ASTROS 1969 SCHEDULE

ALL HOME GAMES START AT 7:30 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6-D-F BOS.	7 8 S.D.	2-L L.A.	2-L L.A.	3 BOS.	4 BOS.	5 BOS.
13-D-F L.A.	14 L.A.	15 ATL.	16-L ATL.	17 ATL.	18 L.A.	19 L.A.
20-D L.A.	21 CIN.	22 CIN.	23-L S.D.	24 S.D.	25 S.F.	26-D S.F.
27-D S.F.	28 ATL.	29 ATL.	30 CIN.			

AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3-D MONT.	4 CHI.	5 CHI.	6-L CHI.	7	8 MONT.	9 MONT.
10-D-F MONT.	11 N.Y.	12 N.Y.	13-L N.Y.	14	15 PHIL.	16-D PHIL.
17-D PHIL.	18 PHIL.	19 PHIL.	20 PHIL.	21 PHIL.	22-D CHI.	23-D CHI.
24-D CHI.	25 CHI.	26 CHI.	27 CHI.	28 CHI.	29 PHIL.	30 PHIL.
31-D-F PHIL.						

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1-OT 1st PA 5T.L.	2 5T.L.	3	4	5 S.F.	6 S.F.
7-D-F S.F.	8 S.D.	9 S.D.	10-D L.A.	11 L.A.	12 ATL	13 ATL
14-D ATL	15 S.D.	16 S.D.	17-D S.F.	18-D S.F.	19 CIN.	20-D 1st PA CIN.
21-D-F CIN.	22 ATL	23 ATL	24-D ATL	25 ATL	26 CIN.	27-D CIN.
28-D CIN.	29 CIN.	30 L.A.	1 L.A.	2 OCTOBER		L.A.

JULY

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
				1 L.A.		2 L.A.		3 CIN.		4 CIN.		5-D S.D.	
6-D Duchesne S.D.		7-D S.F.		8-D S.F.		9-D S.F.		10 16-L L.A.		11 CIN.		12 CIN.	
13-D-F CIN.		14 L.A.		15 L.A.		16-L L.A.		17 CIN.		18 CIN.		19 CIN.	
20-D Duchesne S.D.		21 L.A.		22 L.A.		23 L.A. WASHINGTON		24 PHIL.		25 PHIL.		26 PHIL.	
27-D-F PHIL.		28 N.Y.		29 N.Y.		30-D N.Y.				31 N.Y.			

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1-OT 1st PA 5T.L.	2 5T.L.	3	4	5 S.F.	6 S.F.
7-D-F S.F.	8 S.D.	9 S.D.	10-D L.A.	11 L.A.	12 ATL	13 ATL
14-D ATL	15 S.D.	16 S.D.	17-D S.F.	18-D S.F.	19 CIN.	20-D 1st PA CIN.
21-D-F CIN.	22 ATL	23 ATL	24-D ATL	25 ATL	26 CIN.	27-D CIN.
28-D CIN.	29 CIN.	30 L.A.	1 L.A.	2 OCTOBER		L.A.

All Games start at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted
—Ladies Night
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